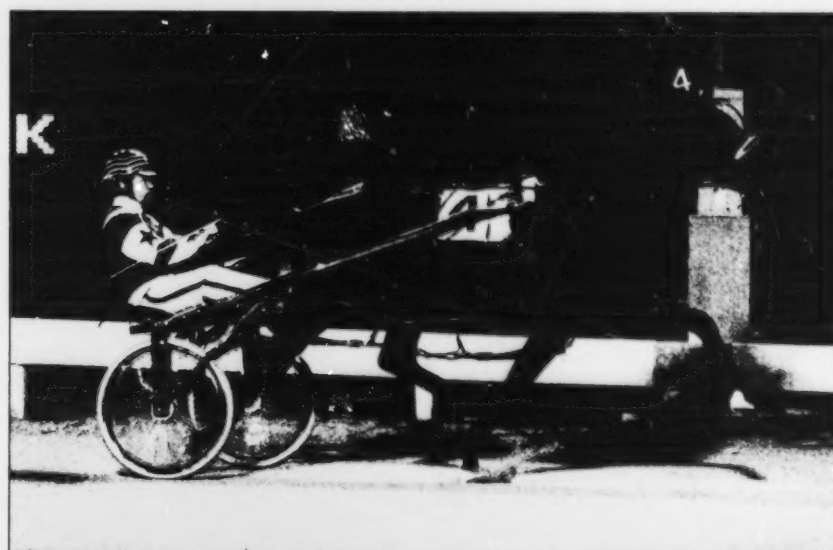


39th Annual Statistical Report for 1988

Ontario Racing Commission



Ministry of
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COVER:

Matts Scooter

Ontario-owned Standardbred Horse of the Year in Canada and the United States

(Photo: Brian Smiley)

Play The King

Ontario-owned Thoroughbred Horse of the Year in Canada

(Photo: Michael Burns)

Chairman's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable William Wrye
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this thirty-ninth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1988.

Success in Ontario racing is obvious as 1988 became our first Billion Dollar betting year. Both Thoroughbred and Standardbred betting were at record highs. Record after record has been smashed in the last three years.

Even more impressive is the enthusiasm, the confidence and, frankly, the exuberance, that is present in Ontario racing. This level of excitement underlies the initiative, the dedication and the innovations that thousands of participants and investors bring to the sport and the Ontario racing industry.

The key to success has been the effective partnership of government and all segments of racing. The cornerstone of this success is the cooperative thrust with Thoroughbred and Standardbred horsepeople on a scale that far exceeds that of other jurisdictions.

The importance of this dynamic partnership between those who race, those who breed and those who invest, and government is the fact that nearly 4,000 new jobs have been created in the last 15 months. Now, nearly 53,000 Ontario men and women look to racing for their livelihoods.

As we have said, the Billion Dollar year is only the beginning. This partnership, plus the managerial skills and innovation of extremely progressive racetrack management, will permit Ontario racing to effectively harness the tremendous new markets opened by Intertrack Wagering and Race Simulcasting.

Yours faithfully,

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Highlights of the Record Shattering 1988 Racing Season in Ontario

■ Ontario horse race betting passed the \$1 Billion mark for the first time. This was the third consecutive record breaking year. Wagering in 1988 was up 8.8 percent over record shattering 1987. The Billion Dollar mark puts Ontario racing in North America's "Big Five" with California, New York, New Jersey and Illinois.

■ Continued growth in the wagering handle has meant increased revenue for the Province of Ontario. In 1988, record net revenues of \$54.9 million were produced for the Ontario Treasury.

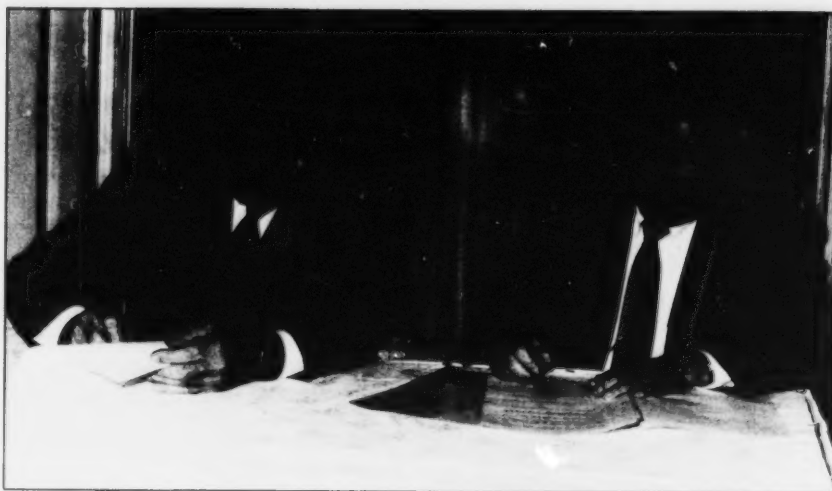
■ Continental racing history was made on October 13 in Montreal when Canada's two largest racing jurisdictions agreed to total reciprocity of racing licenses. This reciprocity between Quebec and Ontario is the first in North America. It means that Ontario racing licenses are automatically valid in Quebec and Quebec racing licenses are automatically valid in Ontario.

■ Ontario Thoroughbred racing achieved a daily average of \$2 Million in betting – a record.

■ In a precedent for all of North America, Labatt's Ontario Breweries became the corporate sponsor of the Ontario Sires Stakes. The year saw major innovations in promotions as a result of this association including the creation of two \$100,000 Championship races and a new weekly television show on the Television Sports Network (TSN) called "Win, Place, Show".

■ Sarnia saw the opening of a brand new Standardbred racetrack, Hiawatha Horse Park. With 50 days of live racing in the summer and 39 days of intertrack racing from the Ontario Jockey Club circuit, the track quickly established itself in 1988. Total handle was \$6.7 million with attendance of 91,303.

■ Kawartha Downs Raceway, near Peterborough was back on stream in 1988 under new ownership. Average attendance and wagering was up than 90% over its last operating year in 1987.



Dr. Louis Bernard, Chairman of the Quebec Racing Commission, and Frank Drea, Chairman of the Ontario Racing Commission sign the historic license reciprocity agreement.

■ Quarter Horse racing, with an additional three betting days, continues to grow. Attendance soared by 90 percent thanks to a permanent site at Picov Downs, Ajax.

■ In a special tribute to many years of service and dedication to the industry, Frank Drea, Chairman of the Ontario Racing Commission, was cited as Man of the Year by the Ontario Harness Horsemen's Association. The award recognizes an individual's contribution to the Ontario harness racing industry.

■ Ontario-owned Standardbred horses once again stole the spotlight in 1988. Matts Scooter won over \$1.8 million in purses in major stakes across North America but will be remembered most for breaking the world record set by Niatross when he paced in 1:48.2. For his achievements, Matts Scooter was made Horse of the Year in both Canada and the United States.

■ Ontario's other big Standardbred star was B J Scoot winning the Little Brown Jug, the final jewel in the United States triple crown for pacers.

■ Undefeated in Canada in 1988, Play The King went on to a second place finish in Thoroughbred racing's Breeders' Cup \$1 Million Sprint. With \$925,000 in career winnings,

Play The King received three Sovereign Awards, including Horse of the Year. Other highlights of the Thoroughbred season included the entry of two Canadian-breds in the Kentucky Derby, Regal Classic and Granacus which earlier won the prestigious Blue Grass Stakes.

■ New innovation on the Standardbred racetrack scene was the elimination of the traditional hubrail at both Hiawatha Horse Park and Rideau Carleton Raceway. The new ground level markers which have been used in Europe for some time are safer, less expensive and easier to maintain.

■ A notable first was Pam King winning the coveted Red Smith Award of North American Harness racing. This award goes to the top groom of the year. Miss King of John Hayes Stable Limited of Beamsville is the first Canadian to win this award.

■ Sandy Hawley was named Canadian racing's Man of the Year by The Jockey Club of Canada in recognition of the years of contributions to the sport of Thoroughbred racing. After a ten-year absence, jockey Hawley returned to Ontario Thoroughbred racing. With purse earnings of more than \$4 million and a record 192 winners at the Woodbine meet, Sandy Hawley also won the Sovereign Award as Canada's leading jockey.

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The Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1980, Chapter 429 as amended by 1981, Chapter 33

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,
(a) "Commission" means the Ontario Racing Commission;
(b) "Minister" means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under The Racing Commission Act, 1950, is continued and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chairman and one of the members to be the vice-chairman.
(2) When the office of the chairman is vacant or in the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall act in his place and stead.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.
(2) The chairman has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the

membership of the Commission.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chairman, the vice-chairman and the other members of the Commission.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. REPEALED: 1981, c. 33, s. 1.

10. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefore by the Legislature.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

11. The Commission has power,
(a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
(b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
(c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to summon any person by subpoena signed by the chairman or by any other member of the Commission, and to require such person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
(d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
(e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
(f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
(g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise boys, tradesmen and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any

of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence, as the Commission considers expedient;
(h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
(i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
(j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
(k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
(l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
(m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
(n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
(o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
(p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
(q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11;
1981, c. 33, s. 2.

12. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint.
R.S.O.1980,c.429,s.12.

13. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require.
R.S.O.1980,c.429,s.13

14. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this act.
R.S.O.1980,c.429,s.14.

15. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

(a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
(b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;

(c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise boys, tradesmen and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;

(d) to collect fees or other charges for licences;

(e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with such changes as the Commission considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,
(a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended
(b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the rules or procedures; and

(c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures, and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgement in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may summon any person by subpoena and require any person so summoned to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers himself aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 11 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers himself aggrieved shall appeal in accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) For the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4), three members of the Commission, one of whom shall be the chairman or vice-chairman, constitute a quorum.

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof.

1980,c.429,s.15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racing Commission



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Administration Counsel, Mark Michaels, Esq. tables exhibits at a hearing of the Ontario Racing Commission.

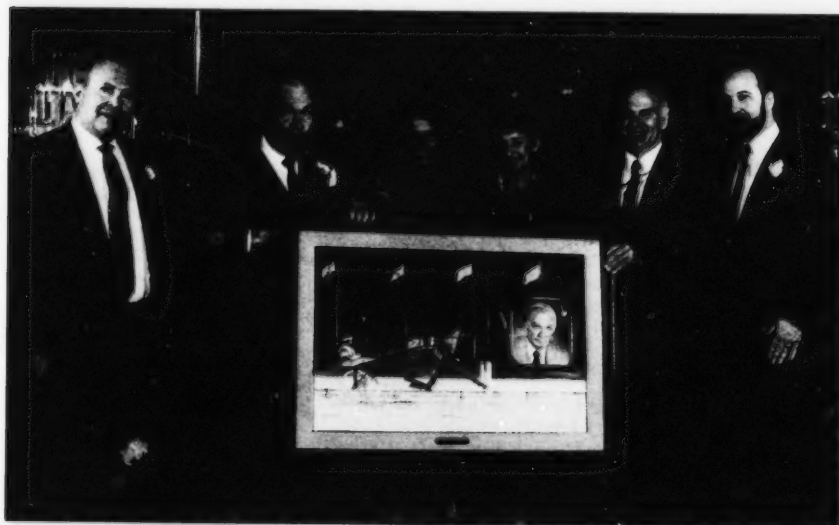


Photo: John E. Jones

Frank Drea (second from the left), Chairman of the Ontario Racing Commission receives Man Of The Year honours from the Ontario Harness Horsemen's Association with the Hon. William Wrve (right), Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations taking part in the presentation.

Personnel of The Commission

During 1988, the Commission consisted of:

Chairman

Frank Drea

Vice-Chairman

John G. Hayes

Members

Harry Addison Jr.

Michael Byrne

William Graham

John C. Lang

Gordon K. Sherwin

Officials of the Commission

Director

W.R. McDonnell

Deputy Director of Standardbred Racing

R.E. Aldous/W.T. Stone

Deputy Director of Thoroughbred Racing

R.F. Roelofson, D.V.M., V.S.

Secretary-Treasurer

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

M. Michaels

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W.T. Stone/V. Gould

Executive Assistant to Chairman

V. Donovan

Administrative Officer (Acting)

T. Iwanciw

Head Office Staff

Chairman's/Director's Secretary

M. Ellis

Sires Stakes Bookkeeper

W.L. Hoogeveen

Administrative Assistant (Acting)

K. McIlveen

Sires Stakes Control Clerk (Acting)

B. Burkitt

Secretary

D. Wright

Data Entry Clerk

D. Lefebvre

Receptionist

K. McGregor

Purchasing and Licensing Clerk (Acting)

B.V. Reid

Licensing and Filing Clerks

D. Clark/D. Kaila

Judges and Stewards

A. Belore

G. Belore

L. Bissonette

G. Cahill

J. Campbell

P. Cass

A. Caughey

R. Croteau

P. Dyson

J. Feltis

W. Fines

L. Geisel

D. Godkin

V. Gould

E. Hall

N. Ham

P. Harrison

W. Hicks

G. Horder

C. Ibey

W. Lawrence

R. Lawson

M. McAlear

R. McGee

I. McHutchison

A. McManus

R. Minler

R. Miron

J. Murphy

J. Nemett

D. Palmer

R. Parr

W. Pennington

D. Raymond

B. Russell

H. Rutledge

B. Shouldice

P. Smith

D. Sommerville

G. Stead

J. Thatcher

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Clappison Veterinary Service

G. Elliott

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G. Gardiner

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J. Mitchell

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W. & I. Moore

Nor-Ont Veterinary Service

E. Nugent

Ottawa Valley Large Animal Clinic

P. Schoppel

R. Smith

St. Lawrence Veterinary Service

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G. Balwar

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G. Brouillard

B. Brown

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P. Burrison-Webb

A. Celeste

J. Demerling

H. Duford

M. Geisel

L. Girard

A. Gordon

D. Hawley

J. Hearn

R. Hughes

C. Johnston

J. LaRush

G. Lebel

C. Madsen

N. Manente

J. McEachern

R. McGlynn

J. McKenna

L. Moffatt

M. Montgomery

R. Moses

D. O'Hearn

W. O'Kell

L. Perrin

D. Platts

E. Powell

L. Rauscher

J. Steen

T. Weir

B. Willis

J. Wilson

D. Wojtasik

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held nineteen formal meetings during 1988 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for 25 days at which 45 licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

During 1988, twenty-five licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings relative to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing.

Standardbred

Twenty standardbred licensees appeared before the Commission for hearings or appeals pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

General

On March 14, the Commission reviewed and approved the application by the Woolwich Agricultural Society for 50 race dates at Elmira Raceway. Because of financial and management restructuring, the application had been adjourned from the December 1987 race date hearings.

On June 1, the Commission reviewed an application from Kawartha Downs Ltd. for 50 days of racing and heard an outline of the management team and the marketing plans from the racetrack's new owner. The Commission awarded the race dates as applied for.

Hiawatha Horse Park applied for Intertrack racing dates from October 17 to December 31 to be received from the Ontario Jockey Club Standardbred Racing circuit. On September 26, the Commission approved four inter-track dates a week for this time period.

On November 30, the Commission reviewed the 1989 Race Dates and Intertrack Wagering Date applications. Approval was granted for 1896 days of Thoroughbred, Standardbred and Quarter Horse racing as well as 394 days of intertrack wagering. Race dates for Sudbury Downs were deferred to a later date.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horsemen's Association. During 1988 the following members served on this board:

Gordon Byers
Marvin Chantler
Gordon Deavy
Graham Gardiner
Rodger Gordon
Norm Tropea
Gary Wortley

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$300.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. Forty licensees appeared before this board in 1988 to have their appeals dealt with.

A specialized sub-committee of this appeal board is the Drivers Review Committee, made up of:

Wesley Coke
Carman Hie
William Wellwood
Tom Strauss

Based upon the recommendation of the judges or upon complaints received from the industry, these members will review a participant's licence and then make their findings known to the Ontario Racing Commission for further action if deemed advisable.

Thoroughbred Rules Committee

Established in 1986

With the mandate to review the existing Rules of Thoroughbred Racing, the following members served on this committee:

Chairman:

William Graham, Commissioner

Members:

Michael Byrne, Commissioner
John Agro
Larry Regan
David Willmot
Mark Frostad
John Whitson
Dr. Robert McMartin
Emile Allain
J. (Mort) Hardy
Robin Platts

Secretary:

Dr. R.F. Roelofson

Standardbred Rules Committee

Established in 1986

With the mandate to review the existing Rules of Standardbred Racing, the following members served on this committee:

Chairman:

John Lang, Commissioner

Members:

Robert Burgess
Joe Burke
Chris Christoforou
Tom Gorman
Barry Hewson
Dr. Donald R. Furness
Dr. Daniel McMaster
Ken Middleton
Terry Provost
Trevor Ritchie
Herb Shannon
David Wall

Secretary:

Terry Stone

Fees and Finance Committee

This committee was appointed by the Chairman, to review the finances of the Commission in conjunction with the Secretary-Treasurer and to review the licence fees issued to racing participants. In 1988 this committee consisted of:

Chairman:

Harry Addison Jr., Commissioner

Members:

Gregory Fernandes,
Secretary-Treasurer

Equine Research Committee

The Commission established this committee late in 1986 to work with the Research Priorities Committee of the Equine Research Centre in order to help facilitate the appropriate evaluation of projects to be undertaken and to make recommendations to the Commission. The following individuals serve on this Committee:

Chairman:

Michael Byrne, Commissioner

Members:

Dr. Hugh Lewllyn
Dr. John McKnight
Dr. Robert McMartin
Dr. Allan Young
Mr. Chris Van Bussel

Memberships

National Association of State Racing Commissioners

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International, Inc. This is an organization comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. By means of bulletins, issued by ARC, each Commission member is apprised of all actions, rule changes and disciplinary measures taken by other commissions. This information is of vital importance in maintaining complete and accurate records of all persons connected with racing. Mr. W. R. McDonnell, Director of the Ontario Racing Commission is a member at-large of the Executive Committee of this association.

Canadian Racing Commissions Meetings

In 1988, members representing racing commissions from across Canada held their annual meeting in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island on June 10th, to address concerns and issues facing the Canadian racing industry. Representing the Ontario Racing Commission at this meeting was Chairman Frank Drea, Commissioner Harry Addison, Director Bill McDonnell and Commission Counsel Mark Michaels.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Agriculture Canada and Commission representatives. Mr. Terry Stone, Deputy Director of Standardbred Racing represents the Commission with this organization.

North American Judges and Stewards Association

Established in 1986, the North American Judges and Stewards Association (NAJSA) was created as an educational forum for all harness racing officials to meet as a body on an annual basis. The purposes of NAJSA are to upgrade the quality of officiating at harness races in North America, to represent harness racing officials before industry groups, to improve communications among its members, to provide a voice on integrity issues in the racing industry, to provide input into the promulgation of rules and regulation by racing commissions and other recognized racing authorities and to encourage its members to use uniform policies and procedures in the regulation of the sport. Mr. Terry Stone, Deputy Director of Standardbred Racing of the Commission represents Zone 5 (Ontario) at these meetings.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Regulation and control of racing as it benefits the equine athlete is a subject of continuing research and ongoing discussion. Drawing on some of the internationally recognized experts in the field of equine medicine and surgery, AAEP has developed many guidelines and projects and seeks to share this information with others engaged in the operation and regulation of horse racing.

The Ontario Racing Commission was represented at the association's annual meetings by Dr. R. E. Roelofson, Deputy Director of Thoroughbred Racing. Dr. Roelofson also serves as a member of AAEP's Racing Regulatory Veterinarians Committee.

Ontario Sires Stakes Publicity and Promotion Committee

The Ontario Sires Stakes Publicity and Promotion Committee was established to oversee the funds for standardbred publicity provided by the Racetracks Tax Sharing Arrangement. Its purpose is to promote the Ontario Standardbred Improvement Program nationally and internationally to sell the benefits of the Ontario program to breeders and potential buyers of Ontario-sired horses. Representatives from the Ontario Racing Commission, the Canadian Standardbred Horse Society, the Ontario Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association, the Ontario Harness Horsemen's Association and the Harness Tracks of Ontario make up this committee. Mr. Greg Fernandes, Secretary-Treasurer, represents the Commission as a member on this committee.

Special Programs

Racetracks Assistance Program

The Racetracks Assistance Program is a controlled investment program by the Government of Ontario in the racing industry and reflects the importance of this indigenous resource to the province. Implemented in 1986, more than \$25 million will be invested in the racing industry over three years.

The Ontario Racing Commission administers the Racetracks Assistance Program subject to the authority of the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations.

The overall mandate of the program is to increase attendance at Ontario's 21 racetracks by promoting the public's awareness of horse racing as an attractive, modern entertainment and sport medium and by modernizing racing facilities to reflect the public's changing life styles and comfort expectations.

Once again in 1988 all racetracks in Ontario participated in the Program. Approximately \$4.9 million was paid out this year for patron-oriented 'capita' improvement projects. In addition, the Program approved another \$11.7 million in capital improvement projects that are currently in progress and scheduled for completion by the summer of 1989.

This program has made a dramatic contribution to Ontario's horse racing industry in attracting patrons and increasing pari-mutuel wagering at these tracks.

The following is a sample of the projects completed 1988:

- The installation of a complete heating, ventilation and air conditioning system at Western Fair Raceway as well as improvements to the second floor grandstand helped generate a betting handle increase of 7.2% and an attendance increase of 3.5% over 1987.
- Clinton Raceway experienced an increase in attendance of 24.5% after the installation of an indoor concession area with new kitchen facilities and painting of the grandstand seating and building exterior.
- Erecting an addition to the grandstand at Quinte Raceway to provide weather protection proved very successful. Average attendance increased by 21.2% and average wagering increased by 6.7% over 1987.
- Patron-oriented improvements at The Ontario Jockey Club racetracks included expansion and refurbishing of the Dining Room at Greenwood, an upgrade of the third floor Sports and other lounges at Woodbine, new Clubhouse facilities at Mohawk and an upgrade of the Turf Club and Terrace Dining Room at Fort Erie. With all four tracks combined, total attendance increased 19,000 and total wagering increased almost \$75 million or about 10% over 1987.

A second component of the Racetracks Assistance Program is funding provided to the Federation of Ontario Racetracks Marketing Inc. (FORM) to develop and conduct an advertising and promotion campaign to increase the public's awareness of horse racing in the province. In 1988, approximately \$1.2 million was contributed by the Program to purchase air time in each track's local market for a series of television commercials. These commercials portrayed the excitement of live standardbred and thoroughbred racing.

The Racetracks Assistance program is administered by:

Co-ordinator:

J. Stefak

Administrative Assistant:

H. Fiebig

Assistant to the Co-ordinator:

R. Roy

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1988

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Attendance	Wagering	Provincial Tax	Federal Levy	%
Ontario						
Standardbred*	1,643	4,051,641	\$607,601,166	\$45,475,891	\$4,860,809	57.33%
Thoroughbred	287	2,193,147	452,114,414	33,155,471	3,616,915	42.66%
Quarter Horse	16	6,727	141,124	9,879	1,129	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,946	6,251,515	\$1,059,856,704	\$78,641,241	\$8,478,854	100.00%

*includes 43 days of Unsupervised Racing

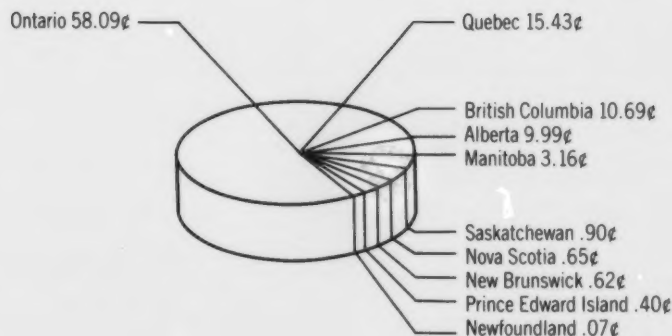
Canada						
Standardbred	3,658	7,414,842	\$1,082,636,601	\$82,643,877	\$8,661,093	59.34%
Thoroughbred*	918	4,319,591	741,954,831	52,813,184	5,935,639	40.66%
Total Canada	4,576	11,734,433	\$1,824,591,432	\$135,457,061	\$14,596,731	100.00%

*includes Quarter Horse

Provincial Detail

Ontario	1,946	6,251,515	\$1,059,856,704	\$78,641,241	\$8,478,854	58.09%
Quebec	677	1,858,978	281,598,587	23,477,690	2,252,789	15.43%
British Columbia	347	1,333,490	195,022,171	13,651,552	1,560,177	10.69%
Alberta	453	1,220,566	182,367,713	9,118,386	1,458,942	9.99%
Manitoba	242	500,997	57,698,666	5,280,276	461,589	3.16%
Saskatchewan	204	214,451	16,506,803	1,650,680	132,054	0.90%
Nova Scotia	242	104,574	11,816,786	1,299,860	94,534	0.65%
New Brunswick	236	137,741	11,291,238	1,242,036	90,330	0.62%
Prince Edward Island	177	93,918	7,221,665	962,119	57,773	0.40%
Newfoundland	52	18,203	1,211,099	133,221	9,689	0.07%
Total	4,576	11,734,433	\$1,824,591,432	\$135,457,061	\$14,596,731	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Wagering and Attendance Trends in Ontario

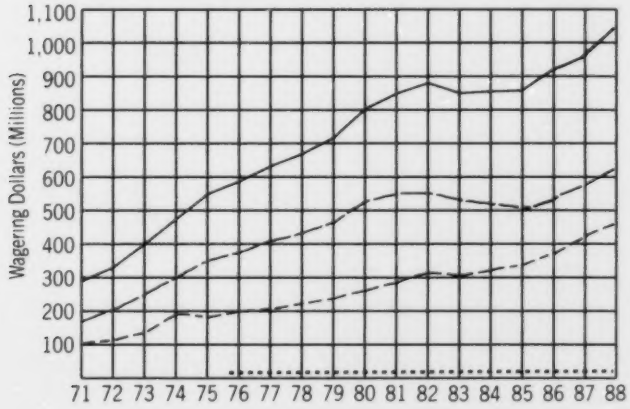
Wagering

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1971	918	\$177,212,268	214	\$115,222,323			1132	\$292,434,591
1972	1043	\$208,290,923	197	\$122,800,463			1240	\$331,091,386
1973	1101	\$251,063,933	199	\$144,252,515			1300	\$395,316,448
1974	1296	\$302,728,369	199	\$199,235,143			1495	\$468,963,512
1975	1532	\$348,210,358	211	\$189,223,614			1743	\$537,433,972
1976	1611	\$371,109,495	209	\$203,016,557	4	\$432,604	1824	\$574,558,656
1977	1536	\$403,222,023	232	\$212,626,795	2	\$90,289	1770	\$615,939,107
1978	1485	\$424,856,829	232	\$224,945,792	7	\$117,583	1724	\$649,920,204
1979	1478	\$454,532,657	235	\$241,490,026	7	\$119,901	1720	\$696,142,584
1980	1584	\$515,787,745	233	\$262,821,324	7	\$156,928	1824	\$778,765,997
1981	1621	\$534,950,803	237	\$286,498,285	7	\$159,977	1865	\$821,609,065
1982	1657	\$537,622,939	238	\$312,886,211	7	\$118,298	1902	\$850,627,448
1983	1672	\$517,786,938	241	\$304,864,472	7	\$103,196	1920	\$822,754,606
1984	1633	\$507,096,175	245	\$319,343,712	7	\$82,426	1885	\$826,522,313
1985	1549	\$494,314,388	264	\$333,683,591	7	\$84,692	1820	\$828,082,671
1986	1625	\$524,243,023	282	\$365,528,513	12	\$139,651	1919	\$889,911,187
1987	1551	\$560,118,892	278	\$413,565,078	13	\$118,110	1842	\$973,802,080
1988	1643	\$607,601,166	287	\$452,114,414	16	\$141,124	1946	\$1,059,856,704

Attendance

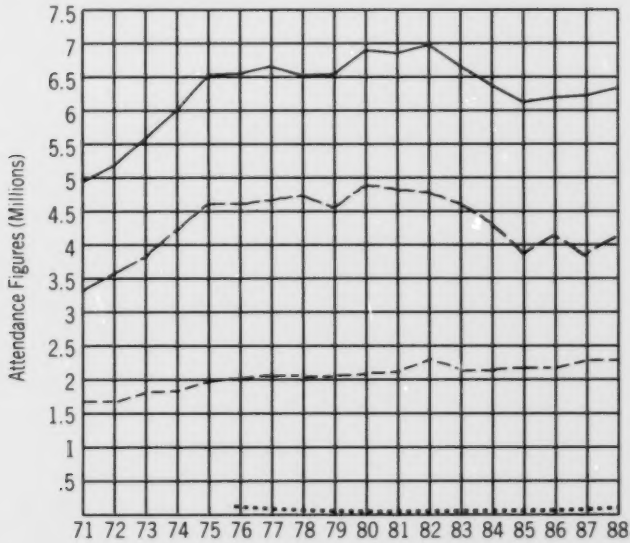
Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average
1971	3,277,940	3,571	1,622,402	7,581			4,900,342	4,329
1972	3,538,266	3,392	1,604,513	8,145			5,142,779	4,147
1973	3,784,702	3,438	1,752,457	8,806			5,537,159	4,259
1974	4,178,137	3,224	1,781,538	8,952			5,959,675	3,986
1975	4,554,649	2,973	1,922,856	9,113			6,477,505	3,716
1976	4,544,487	2,821	1,946,598	9,314	9,226	2,307	6,500,311	3,564
1977	4,598,687	2,994	1,997,382	8,609	1,602	801	6,597,671	3,727
1978	4,468,524	3,009	1,985,505	8,558	5,544	792	6,459,573	3,747
1979	4,488,242	3,037	1,982,739	8,437	5,030	719	6,476,011	3,765
1980	4,819,098	3,042	2,010,182	8,627	4,686	669	6,833,966	3,747
1981	4,741,751	2,925	2,041,620	8,614	5,287	755	6,788,658	3,640
1982	4,705,750	2,840	2,206,803	9,272	4,036	577	6,916,589	3,636
1983	4,531,161	2,710	2,058,037	8,540	3,304	472	6,592,502	3,434
1984	4,229,634	2,590	2,056,743	8,395	3,418	488	6,289,795	3,337
1985	3,960,341	2,557	2,083,007	7,890	2,947	421	6,046,295	3,322
1986	4,018,687	2,473	2,089,251	7,409	6,115	510	6,114,053	3,186
1987	3,958,233	2,552	2,174,243	7,821	3,532	272	6,136,008	3,331
1988	4,051,641	2,466	2,193,147	7,642	6,727	420	6,251,515	3,212

Wagering Trends

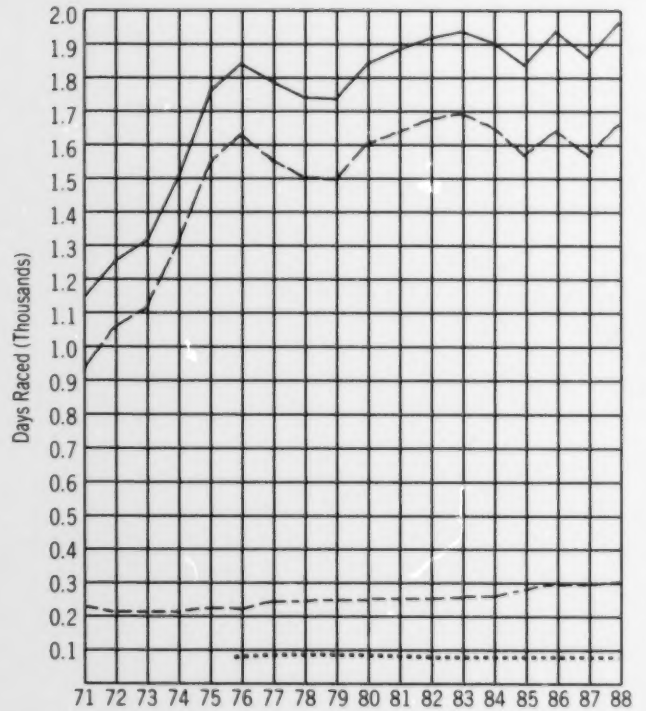


Standardbred —
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Attending Trends



Days Raced



Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade, occupation or calling at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred Including Quarter Horse

	No. of Licences 1988	No. of Licences 1987
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	2,622	2,630
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	330	307
Owner Trainer, New and Renewals	245	236
Jockey	138	113
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	93	86
Tradesmen	161	158
Veterinarian	39	32
Occupational	2,513	2,478
Pari-mutuel	177	130
Fingerprints	540	937
Total Licences Issued (not including fingerprints)	6,318	6,170

Standardbred

	No. of Licences 1988	No. of Licences 1987
Owner, New and Renewal	9,024	7,189
Stable Multiple Ownership	254	388
Trainer	3,391	2,345
Driver	1,639	1,609
Groom	5,179	5,013
Tradesmen	146	133
Veterinarian	71	62
Occupational (inc. 3 year licences)	685	1,456
Association	259	237
Commission officials	87	88
Pari-mutuel	559	1,115
Other (including temporary)		
Fingerprints	2,167	2,254
Total Licences Issued (not including fingerprints)	21,294	19,635

Thoroughbred Racing (including Quarter Horse Racing)



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Wagering and Attendance Figures — Comparison of 1987 and 1988

Thoroughbred Racing

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$)			Race Average (\$)		
	1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -
Woodbine	140	135	3.7%	285,372,738	251,320,614	13.5%	214,083	197,890	8.2%
Greenwood	52	57	-8.8%	115,474,575	112,095,301	3.0%	229,572	208,744	10.0%
Fort Erie	95	86	10.5%	51,267,101	50,149,163	2.2%	53,683	58,517	-8.3%
Total Thoroughbred	287	278	3.2%	452,114,414	413,565,078	9.3%			

Quarter Horse Racing

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$)			Race Average (\$)		
	1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -
Whitby	16	13	23.1%	141,124	118,110	19.5%	1,271	1,147	10.9%
Total Quarter Horse	16	13	23.1%	141,124	118,110	19.5%			

Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Progress In Ontario Thoroughbred Racing

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Tax Prov. %	Tax Fed. %	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
					Prov.	Fed.		
1970	197	120,094,243	7	0.5	8,406,597	600,471	6,168,430	5.14%
1971	214	115,222,323	7	.5 to .6	8,065,563	649,955	6,314,163	5.48%
1972	197	122,800,463	7	0.6	8,596,032	736,803	6,583,335	5.36%
1973	199	144,252,515	7	0.6	10,097,676	865,515	7,322,785	5.08%
1974	199	166,235,143	7	0.6	11,636,460	997,411	9,013,910	5.42%
1975	211	189,223,614	7	0.6	13,245,653	1,135,342	10,977,295	5.80%
1976	209	203,016,557	7	0.6	14,211,159	1,218,099	11,752,090	5.79%
1977	232	212,626,795	7	0.6	14,883,876	1,275,761	12,414,091	5.84%
1978	232	224,945,792	7	.6 to .5	15,746,205	1,290,236	12,654,635	5.63%
1979	235	241,490,026	7	0.5	16,904,302	1,207,450	14,570,560	6.03%
1980	233	262,821,324	7	0.5	18,397,493	1,314,107	15,783,295	6.01%
1981	237	286,498,285	*7	0.6	20,054,880	1,718,990	18,370,571	6.41%
1982	238	312,886,211	*7	0.6	22,736,539	1,877,317	23,642,791	7.56%
1983	248	304,967,668	*7	.7 to .8	22,436,485	2,134,774	24,764,794	8.12%
1984	245	319,343,712	*7	0.8	23,534,604	2,554,750	26,058,227	8.16%
1985	264	333,683,591	*7	0.8	24,505,628	2,669,469	28,622,164	8.58%
1986	282	365,528,513	*7	0.8	26,850,776	2,924,389	31,879,981	8.72%
1987	278	413,565,078	*7	0.8	30,347,090	3,308,521	35,287,923	8.53%
1988	287	452,114,414	*7	0.8	33,155,471	3,616,915	43,613,731	9.65%

*9% tax on triactor wagering

†Provincial Purse Grants under the Race Tracks Sharing Agreement are included in these totals

Thoroughbred Racing continued

Daily Average (\$)			Attendance		
1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -
2,038,377	1,861,634	9.5%	1,281,722	1,216,393	5.4%
2,220,665	1,966,584	12.9%	524,592	554,406	-5.4%
539,654	583,130	-7.5%	386,833	403,444	-4.1%
			2,193,147	2,174,243	0.9%

Quarter Horse Racing continued

Daily Average (\$)			Attendance		
1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -
8,820	9,085	-2.9%	6,727	3,532	90.5%
			6,727	3,532	90.5%

Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Progress in Ontario Quarter Horse Racing

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Tax Prov. %	Tax Fed. %	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
					Prov.	Fed.		
1978	7	117,583	7	.6 to .5	8,231	705	38,645	32.87%
1979	7	119,901	7	0.5	8,393	599	43,785	36.52%
1980	7	156,928	7	0.5	10,985	785	48,515	30.92%
1981	7	159,977	7	0.6	11,199	960	48,950	30.60%
1982	7	118,298	7	0.6	8,280	710	45,000	38.04%
1983	7	103,196	7	.7 to .8	7,224	722	42,160	40.85%
1984	7	82,426	7	0.8	5,770	659	118,979	144.35%
1985	7	84,692	7	0.8	5,928	667	95,942	113.28%
1986	12	139,651	7	0.8	9,776	1,115	128,546	92.05%
1987	13	118,110	7	0.8	8,268	945	143,933	121.86%
1988	16	141,124	7	0.8	9,879	1,129	149,548	105.97%

Leading Money Winning Owners

Sam-Son Farm	\$2,320,890.45
Kinghaven Farms	1,709,543.40
Knob Hill Stable	808,998.65
G. Layman	600,000.00
J. Franks	542,451.80
G. Leigh	508,680.00

Leading Trainers

Name	No. of Wins	No. of Starters	Winning %
F. Passero Jr.	77	496	15.5%
T. Attard	67	540	12.4%
J.E. Day	66	291	22.7%
R. Attfield	49	255	19.2%
M. Tammaro	48	307	15.6%
J. Cardella	42	267	15.7%

Leading Jockeys

Name	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Winning %
S. Hawley	765	196	139	85	25.6%
L. Attard	1071	137	142	136	12.8%
D. Seymour	805	131	106	108	16.3%
L. Duffy	959	126	121	124	13.1%
J. McAleney	1089	123	113	120	11.3%
S. Fenech	832	112	89	95	13.5%



Friends and family of Sam Son Farm, Ontario's 1988 leading money winning owner, gather in the winner's circle after a major stakes race.

Photo: Michael Burns

Commission Activity

Stewards' Rulings

The Stewards issued 526 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise boys in 1988.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	82	46	36
1972	84	59	25
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	95	30	65
1972	81	24	57
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89

Scratches

	1986	1987	1988
By Commission			
Veterinarians	446	693	430
By Stewards	505	507	985
As part of entries	179	175	137
Out of stakes	115	39	36
Total	1,245	1,414	1,588

Trainers' Examinations

	1986	1987	1988
Number of examinations written	51	42	28
Number of examinations passed	45	39	24
Number of examinations failed	6	3	4

Urine and Blood Tests

	1985	1986	1987	1988
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	5,825	6,185	6,673	6,640
Number taken	5,793	6,133	6,619	6,619
Number abandoned	32	52	54	21

Positive Tests

1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
7	7	8	10	8	5

Tattooing and Claims

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1970	715
1971	720
1972	759
1973	795
1974	806
1975	914
1976	875
1977	896
1978	878
1979	611
1980	877
1981	852
1982	936
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300**
1988	1,419

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1970	356	\$3,994
1971	423	\$3,989
1972	494	\$4,137
1973	493	\$4,659
1974	503	\$5,450
1975	538	\$5,310
1976	528	\$6,350
1977	485	\$7,112
1978	653	\$8,121
1979	662	\$8,026
1980	633	\$8,070
1981	750	\$8,506
1982	626	\$9,522
1983	689	\$10,316
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811

** due to the absence of the tattoo officer,
an accurate number is not available

Standardbred Racing



Photo John Jones

Wagering and Attendance Figures — Comparison of 1987 and 1988

Standardbred Racing

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$)			Race Average (\$)		
	1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -
CLASS I									
Greenwood	141	141	0.0%	217,577,395	197,201,233	10.3%	150,573	136,850	10.0%
Mohawk	119	119	0.0%	157,253,686	141,443,937	11.2%	128,686	116,511	10.4%
Windsor	188	178	5.6%	70,271,398	71,912,749	-2.3%	36,502	40,018	-8.8%
Flamboro Downs	215	215	0.0%	52,770,609	54,647,438	-3.4%	23,145	23,916	-3.2%
	663	653	1.5%	497,873,088	465,205,357	7.0%			
CLASS II									
Western Fair	139	134	3.7%	22,934,767	21,388,842	7.2%	14,915	14,521	2.7%
Barrie	110	101	8.9%	13,857,533	12,132,564	14.2%	11,587	10,785	7.4%
Rideau Carleton	105	105	0.0%	19,106,150	19,166,008	-0.3%	16,643	16,976	-2.0%
Orangeville	106	106	0.0%	14,777,715	13,546,989	9.1%	11,673	11,196	4.3%
	460	446	3.1%	70,676,165	66,234,403	6.7%			
CLASS III									
Kawartha Downs	48	11	336.4%	5,018,851	589,716	751.1%	10,456	5,313	96.8%
Dresden	57	65	-12.3%	5,023,594	6,016,217	-16.5%	8,051	8,558	-5.9%
Elmira	50	47	6.4%	4,502,804	4,471,414	0.7%	8,726	8,485	2.8%
Sudbury Downs	69	63	9.5%	4,628,223	3,939,038	17.5%	6,747	6,243	8.1%
Kingston Park	87	88	-1.1%	4,821,089	4,897,451	-1.6%	5,286	5,249	0.7%
Hiawatha	50		0.0%	6,755,937		0.0%	7,408		0.0%
	361	274	31.8%	30,750,498	19,913,836	54.4%			
CLASS IV									
Leamington	20	30	-33.3%	1,284,929	1,785,274	-28.0%	6,393	6,072	5.3%
Woodstock	15	16	-6.3%	1,885,536	1,829,452	3.1%	10,593	10,336	2.5%
Hanover	31	31	0.0%	1,839,661	1,755,659	4.8%	5,575	5,288	5.4%
Belleville	25	28	-10.7%	1,447,729	1,519,538	-4.7%	5,245	5,587	-6.1%
Clinton	14	14	0.0%	943,103	931,253	1.3%	6,124	6,127	0.0%
Goderich	11	11	0.0%	386,623	359,275	7.6%	3,421	3,266	4.8%
	116	130	-10.8%	7,787,581	8,180,451	-4.8%			
Total Standardbred	1600	1503	6.5%	607,087,332	559,534,047	8.5%			
Unsupervised	43	48	-10.4%	513,834	584,845	-12.1%			
Total Standardbred	1643	1551	5.9%	607,601,166	560,118,892	8.5%			

Daily Average			Attendance		
1988	1987	% + -	1988	1987	% + -
1,543,102	1,398,590	10.3%	1,026,507	1,045,783	- 1.8%
1,321,460	1,188,605	11.2%	839,732	820,785	2.3%
373,784	404,004	- 7.5%	517,863	549,109	- 5.7%
245,445	254,174	- 3.4%	442,413	460,534	- 3.9%
			2,826,515	2,876,211	- 1.7%
164,998	159,618	3.4%	266,415	257,434	3.5%
125,978	120,124	4.9%	129,998	120,045	8.3%
181,963	182,533	- 0.3%	192,870	198,036	- 2.6%
139,412	127,802	9.1%	121,262	128,552	- 5.7%
			710,545	704,067	0.9%
104,559	53,611	95.0%	65,913	7,895	734.9%
88,133	92,557	- 4.8%	69,529	88,070	- 21.1%
90,056	95,136	- 5.3%	48,615	47,304	2.8%
67,076	62,524	7.3%	61,559	57,174	7.7%
55,415	55,653	- 0.4%	49,179	47,445	3.7%
135,119		0.0%	91,303		0.0%
			386,098	247,888	55.8%
64,246	59,509	8.0%	18,012	22,427	- 19.7%
125,702	114,341	9.9%	18,300	20,338	- 10.0%
59,344	56,634	4.8%	32,118	32,296	- 0.6%
57,909	54,269	6.7%	18,611	17,192	8.3%
67,365	66,518	1.3%	15,698	12,630	24.3%
35,148	32,661	7.6%	8,967	7,754	15.6%
			111,706	112,637	- 0.8%
			4,034,864	3,940,803	2.4%
			16,777	17,430	- 3.7%
			4,051,641	3,958,233	2.4%

Wagering and Attendance Figures — Comparison of 1987 and 1988

Unsupervised Tracks

Tracks	No. of Days		Amount Wagered		Attendance	
	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987
Ancaster	2	2	\$43,962	\$44,668	1,260	1,276
Annprior		1		5,685		150
Beamsville	4	4	37,575	40,452	1,097	1,145
Binbrook	2	2	25,591	21,702	730	623
Brockville	2	2	25,468	21,096	700	710
Brooklin	1	1	17,841	15,551	602	311
Burford	1	1	932	5,136	26	147
Caledonia	1	2	10,890	17,655	300	505
Dorchester	3	2	63,814	39,258	2,016	1,359
Manitowaning	1	1	12,033	11,530	1,689	226
Markham	2	2	26,821	37,149	749	234
Melbourne	1	1	4,569	6,246	160	250
Norwood	1	1	5,497	20,519	265	123
Ohsewen	1	1	7,381	9,300	300	310
Orillia	1	1	7,834	9,528	250	416
Orono	1	1	25,578	26,053	645	950
Paris	1	1	14,835	28,733	600	975
Parkhill	1	1	3,817	2,058	150	200
Perth	1	1	17,792	18,465	420	612
Port Perry	1	1	20,567	22,675	411	712
Ridgetown	1	1	3,139	4,326	130	200
Rodney	1	1	2,862	4,818	85	200
Shedden		1		3,359		125
Simcoe	4	4	45,955	50,009	1,314	1,429
Smithville	1	1	6,773	11,849	195	400
South Mountain	3	3	26,745	28,933	940	960
Spencerville	1	1	11,124	7,032	470	325
Strathroy	1	1	3,694	4,037	100	200
Sutton	1		22,128		621	
Tillsonburg	1	2	14,083	26,378	402	1,103
Wallacetown	1	1	4,534	7,250	150	200
Welland		3		33,395		1,054
Total	43	48	\$513,834	\$584,845	16,777	17,430

Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Progress in Ontario Standardbred Racing

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Tax Prov. %	Tax Fed. %	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
					Prov.	Fed.		
1970	914	182,262,986	7	0.5	12,758,409	911,315	9,694,572	5.32%
1971	918	177,212,268	7	.5 to .6	12,404,859	966,993	9,526,190	5.38%
1972	1043	208,292,923	7	0.6	14,580,505	1,249,745	11,640,221	5.59%
1973	1101	251,063,933	7	0.6	17,574,475	1,506,384	13,737,857	5.47%
1974	1296	302,728,369	7	0.6	21,190,986	1,816,370	18,115,832	5.98%
1975	1532	348,210,358	7	0.6	24,374,725	2,089,262	21,869,928	6.28%
1976	1611	371,109,495	7	0.6	25,977,665	2,226,657	22,708,887	6.12%
1977	1537	403,222,023	7	0.6	28,225,542	2,419,425	25,420,126	6.30%
1978	1485	424,856,829	7	.6 to .5	29,739,978	2,440,394	26,921,135	6.34%
1979	1478	454,532,657	7	0.5	31,817,286	2,272,663	28,972,940	6.37%
1980	1531	515,787,745	7	0.5	36,105,142	2,578,939	33,557,517	6.51%
1981	1621	534,950,803	*7	0.6	38,577,513	3,209,705	35,865,369	6.70%
1982	1657	537,622,721	*7	0.6	39,485,360	3,225,736	43,850,209	8.16%
1983	1672	517,786,938	*7	.7 to .8	38,496,281	3,624,508	48,546,946	9.38%
1984	1633	507,096,175	*7	0.8	37,737,130	4,056,769	48,172,749	9.50%
1985	1549	494,314,388	*7	0.8	36,825,981	3,954,118	48,969,604	9.91%
1986	1625	524,243,023	*7	0.8	39,260,613	4,193,437	53,690,705	10.24%
1987	1551	560,118,892	*7	0.8	42,070,986	4,480,951	58,234,266	10.40%
1988	1643	607,601,166	*7	0.8	45,475,891	4,860,809	65,135,136	10.72%

* 9% tax on triactor wagering



Pam King, winner of the Red Smith Award as the top groom in North America, holds her charge, Georgina Seelster, one of the top three-year-old filly trotters in the Ontario Sires Stakes.

Claims

							\$ Value	Average \$ Value
	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1988	1988
Barrie	35	59	32	71	76	61	268,750	4,406
Belleville	1	3	1	0	5	3	5,000	1,667
Clinton	2	1	5	7	5	4	10,125	2,531
Dresden	26	27	31	51	28	34	116,875	3,438
Elmira	16	9	8	5	15	13	59,625	4,587
Flamboro Downs	164	149	169	172	161	135	1,253,750	9,287
Goderich	2	1	3	3	3	6	11,500	1,917
Greenwood	300	264	248	335	380	278	7,659,500	27,552
Hanover	9	5	9	7	9	19	47,875	2,520
Hiawatha						21	71,000	3,381
Kawartha Downs	56	27	32	28	0	6	17,500	2,917
Kingston Park	55	51	32	58	55	26	67,000	2,577
Leamington	6	14	25	19	21	11	25,625	2,330
Mohawk	231	244	251	209	204	199	5,734,750	28,818
Orangeville	66	85	69	54	78	52	222,625	4,281
Rideau Carleton	82	64	71	80	62	105	497,500	4,738
Sudbury	31	45	43	16	7	27	68,250	2,528
Western Fair	54	58	46	79	127	61	309,000	5,066
Windsor	253	169	186	165	42	98	994,125	10,144
Woodstock	2	3	3	9	5	2	9,500	4,750
TOTAL	1,391	1,278	1,264	1,368	1,283	1,161	\$17,449,875	\$15,030

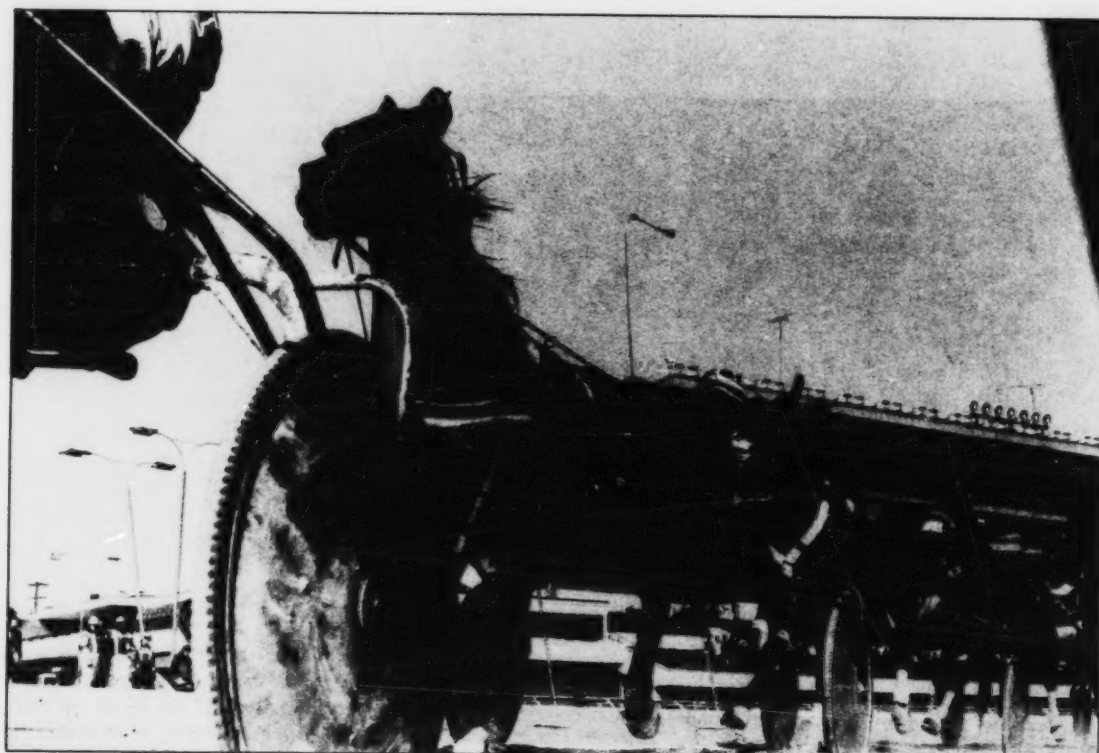


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Positive Tests

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Azaerol					2
Benzocaine		1			
Bumetanide	1		4		3
Buprenorphine					1
Caffeine	1		1	1	
Clenbuterol	1	1	5	2	3
Dantrolene					1
Desmethyldiazepam			1		1
Dimethyl Sulfoxide	5	10	7		
Dipyrene	1				1
Ethacrynic Acid		1			
Flunixin	3	1	1		1
Furosemide	2	5	9	13	9
Guaifenesin		1	2	1	1
Guaiacol Glycerol Ether	2				
Hydrochlorothiazide			1	1	
Hydroxyethyl Promazine	1			2	
Meclofenamic Acid	2			2	
Methocarbamol	2				
Naproxen	1				
Nefopam					1
Pentoxifylline				4	
Phenylbutazone	14	12	13	18	9
Phenylpropanolamine	2				
Procaine	2	14	4	5	5
Promazine	4		2		
Salicylic Acid			3		
Sulindac	3				
Theobromine			1		
Triamterene	1				
Trichlormethiazide				2	2
Theophylline	2	2	2	6	2
Total	50	48	56	57	42

Improvement Programs

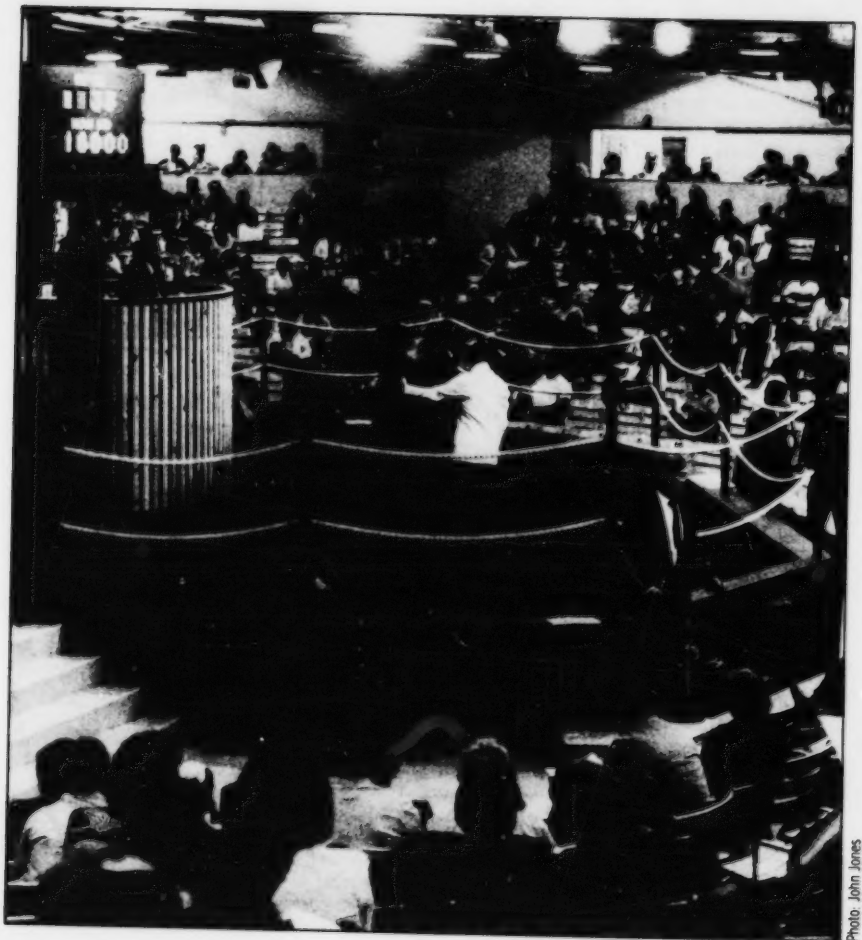


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Race Tracks Tax Sharing Arrangement

What is the Race Tracks Tax Sharing Arrangement?

The Ontario Government collects a tax from wagering at all racetracks in this province. This tax is a percentage of the amount wagered and is, at present, set at seven percent with an additional two percent tax on triactor features. In 1968, the Ontario Government raised its pari-mutuel tax by one percent. At that time, it was stated that the extra one percent would be allocated to further the goals and requirements of Ontario's racing industry. This evolved in 1974 to the present tax sharing arrangement between the industry and the province. In 1981 a further one percent of the existing tax was rebated to the industry raising the level of the rebate to two percent and in the case of triactor features to four percent.

How was the agreement reached?

All areas of the horse racing and breeding industry in Ontario were consulted. The following associations provided input towards how the proposal would best serve the industry:

Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association/Ontario
Ontario Harness Horsemen's Association
Canadian Standardbred Horse Society
Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association
Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society
National Association of Canadian Racetracks (Ontario Division)
Harness Tracks of Ontario

Agreement between the province and the industry was reached and the program came into effect in 1974.

What is the purpose of the arrangement?

The tax sharing arrangement serves four purposes:

1. to supplement purses paid to owners,
2. to improve the quality and quantity of racing stock in Ontario,
3. to improve the quality of the facilities at the Class III circuit standardbred tracks in the province, and
4. to fund equine research programs.

What was the dollar value of the program in 1988?

In 1987, the total amount wagered at race tracks in Ontario was \$973,802,080. Based on this figure, the value of the tax sharing arrangement in 1988 was \$23,736,243, allocated as follows:

Standardbred Racing:	\$14,065,044
Thoroughbred Racing:	\$ 9,668,837
Quarter Horse Racing:	\$ 2,362
TOTAL	\$23,736,243

The amount returned to each segment of the industry is prorated according to the total dollars wagered. These funds are then apportioned to research, breeders' incentive programs and supplemental purse grants.

Highlights of the Tax Sharing Arrangement

Equine Research

The Guelph Centre for Equine Research under the University of Guelph received 1.5 percent of the rebate which amounted to \$291,929 in 1988. From this total, \$140,000 was allocated to research projects and the remaining \$151,929 was allocated to the building fund which is set aside for the Centre's new facilities.

Overnight Purse Supplements

This arrangement addresses the problems of purse levels in general through overnight purse supplements. By supplementing purses paid to owners, the racing industry and the provincial government are encouraging the purchase of better racing stock and are helping to offset increasing operating costs which owners are experiencing.

In 1988, the Thoroughbred Industry received \$6,681,338 in overnight purse supplements and the Standardbred Industry received \$8,192,437.

Racing and Breeding Incentives

Through the racing and breeding incentives, rebate money is actively directed towards programs which will benefit the industry. The Standardbred Program totaled \$8,558,034 in 1988 including the Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Series purses, Breeders' Awards, and a Publicity and Promotion Budget. The Thoroughbred Program totaled \$4,698,148 including a Publicity and Promotion Budget, the Ontario Sires Stakes and major stakes purses.

The Ontario Sires Stakes Program

Established in 1974, the Ontario Standardbred Sires Stakes has proved to be one of the most successful government programs. It has reduced the outflow of Ontario capital to the United States for the purchase of yearlings, improved Ontario stock through economic incentives to breeders and increased employment in the racing industry.

In the Standardbred Program, the Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of races with supplemented purses for two and three-year-old trotters and pacers at tracks across Ontario. It is a self-help program in which breeders, horsemen and tracks contribute to

the purse through nomination and sustaining payments as well as starting fees and track fees.

In 1988 there were 104 races for a total purse value of \$7,407,955. A total of \$487,304 was distributed in Breeders' Awards to the breeders of each of the top five horses in all Ontario Sires Stakes races.

In a landmark move, the Ontario Racing Commission contracted Labatt's Blue as the corporate sponsor of the Ontario Sires Stakes. Labatt's provided additional promotion exposure for the program and established Champion races for three-year-old trotters and pacers both of which raced for a purse of \$100,000.

To be eligible to the Ontario Sires Stakes, foals must have been sired by a stallion standing in Ontario and registered with the program. These stallions must either be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. As a result, the number and quality of sires standing in Ontario has improved considerably which has led to the development of breeding establishments which are now competitive on a world class level.

Because of the success of the Standardbred venture, a similar program was launched in 1975 for Thoroughbreds. In 1988 there were ten Ontario Sires Stakes Thoroughbred races for a total purse value of \$809,250.

Trillium Series

In an effort to promote the development of the Standardbred broodmare band in Ontario, ten races for two-year-old fillies were established eight years ago. Five races each for trotters and pacers went for a total purse of \$750,079.

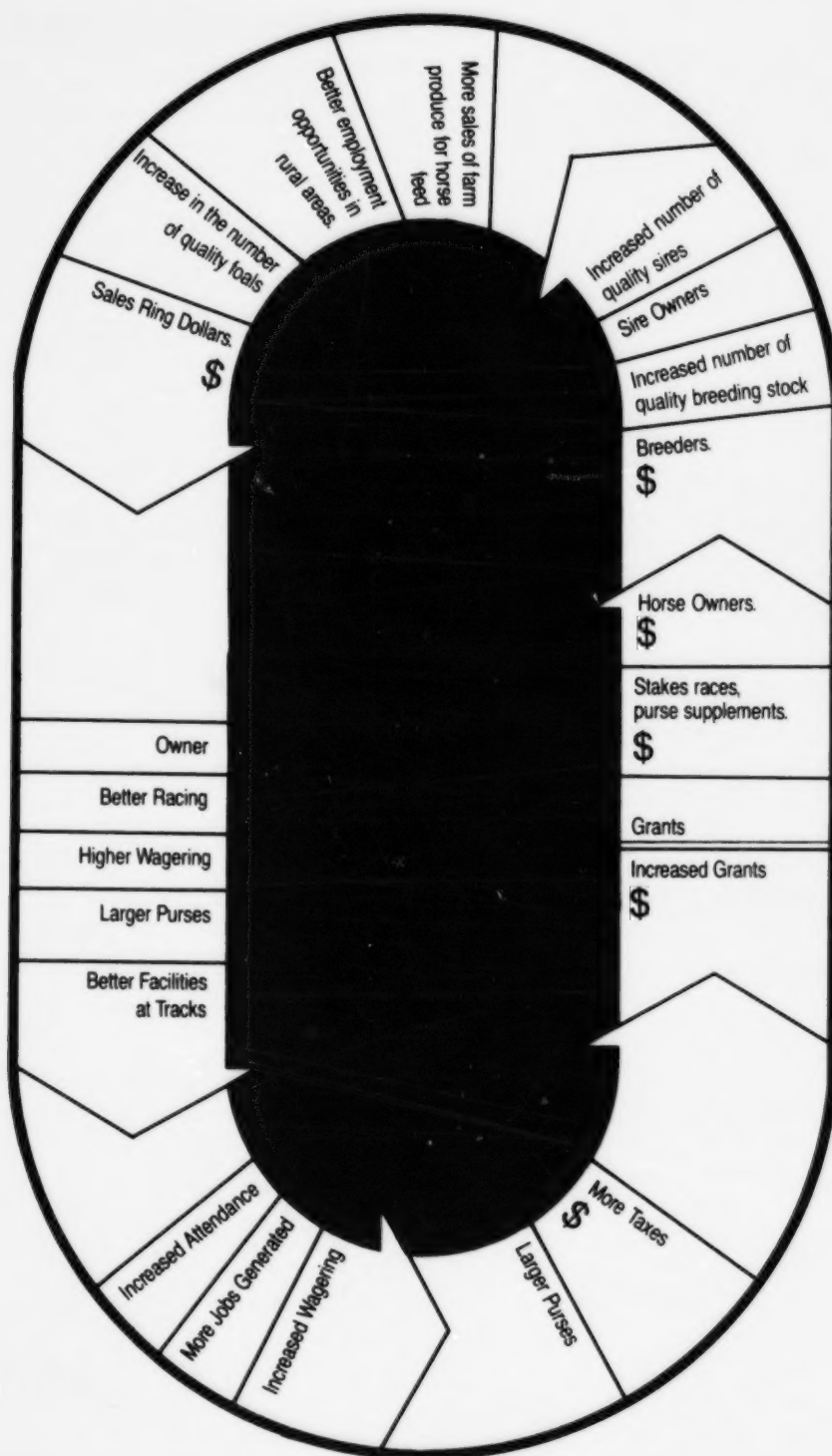
Thoroughbred Racing Incentives

Further assistance is allocated to the Thoroughbred industry through an incentive program for breeders which includes purse support to existing stakes to improve the sales appeal of Canadian-bred horses. In 1988, the purse value of government supported stakes were \$4,724,800 which included the Ontario Sires Stakes races.

Conclusion

The Race Tracks Tax Sharing Arrangement is an excellent example of business and government working together to provide very tangible benefits to the residents of Ontario. Since its inception in 1974, this program has played a direct role in increasing employment in the racing industry, in helping small Ontario farms remain economically stable and, of course, in enhancing the enjoyment for the more than 6 million people who attend racing annually.

How the Tax Sharing Plan Stimulates Growth Within the Ontario Racing Industry



Ontario Racetracks Tax Sharing Arrangement — 1988 Funding

Total 1987 Wagering

\$973,802,080

2% of 1987 Wagering Handle:

Standardbred: Supervised Tracks	\$11,190,681
Unsupervised Tracks (Fairs)	11,697
— Triactor Tax Rebate	2,862,666
Thoroughbred	8,271,302
— Triactor Tax Rebate	1,397,535
Quarter Horse	2,362
Total 1988 Rebate	<u>23,736,243</u>

1988 Standardbred Program

Equine Research	167,860
Overnight Purse Supplements	8,192,437
Ontario Sires Stakes	4,385,745
Trillium Series	420,000
Publicity Budget	400,000
Breeders' Award	487,305
Unsupervised Tracks Purse Grants	11,697

Total Standardbred Program

14,065,044

1988 Thoroughbred Program

Equine Research	124,069
Overnight Purse Supplements	6,681,338
Racing and Breeding Incentives	2,863,430

Total Thoroughbred Program

9,668,837

1988 Quarter Horse Program

2,362

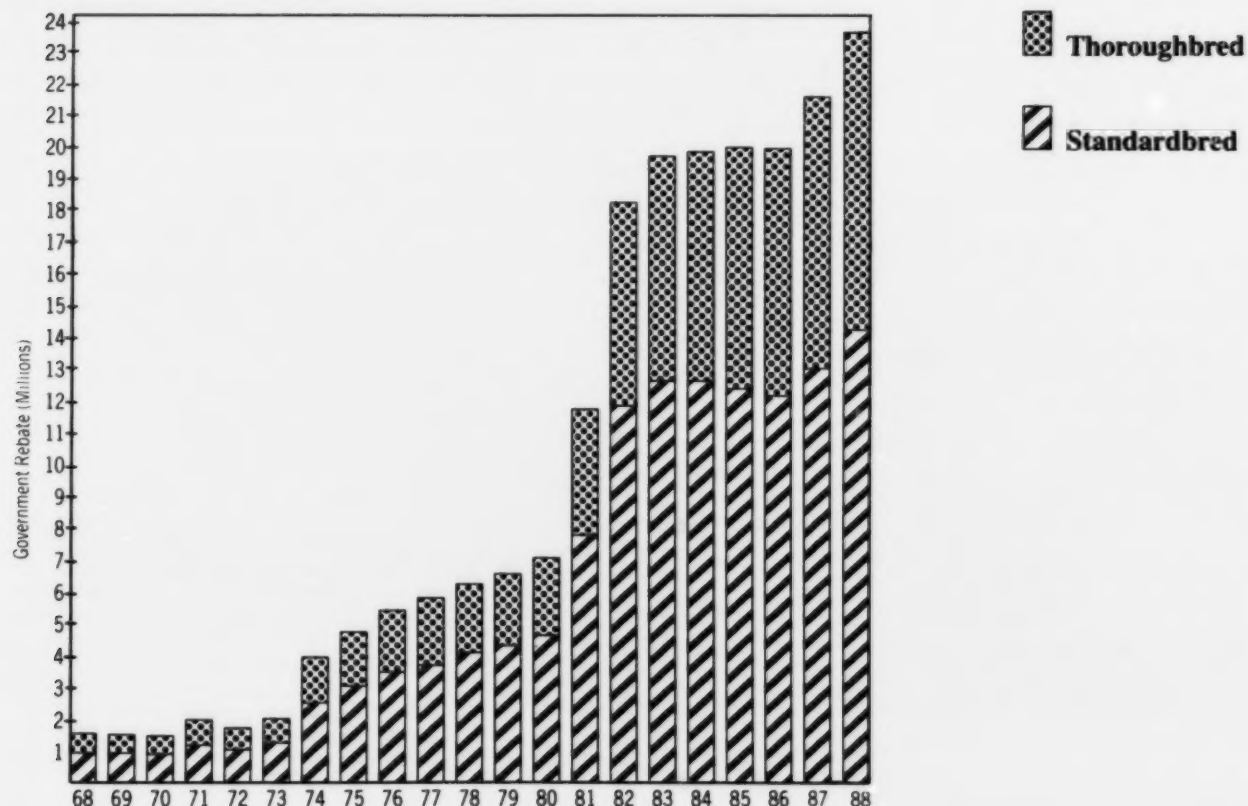
Total 1988 Assistance Program

\$23,736,243

Dollar Value of the Race Tracks Tax Sharing Arrangement – 1968 to present

Year	Standardbred Program	Thoroughbred Program	Quarter Horse Program	Total Improvement Program
1968	908,900	616,000		1,525,000
1969	930,438	570,269		1,500,707
1970	900,215	564,740		1,464,955
1971	1,175,877	774,168		1,950,045
1972	1,031,003	670,322		1,701,325
1973	1,266,493	747,010		2,013,503
1974	2,510,639	1,442,525		3,953,164
1975	3,027,349	1,662,351		4,689,700
1976	3,482,000	1,892,300		5,374,300
1977	3,711,000	2,030,100	4,300	5,745,400
1978	4,033,000	2,126,000	1,000	6,160,000
1979	4,249,000	2,250,000	1,000	6,500,000
1980	4,545,000	2,414,900	1,000	6,960,900
1981	7,736,000	3,942,000	2,000	11,680,000
1982	11,830,000	6,370,900	2,000	18,202,900
1983	12,604,000	7,092,000	2,000	19,698,000
1984	12,606,700	7,186,000	2,000	19,794,700
1985	12,370,200	7,579,400	1,648	19,951,248
1986	12,110,261	7,821,448	1,694	19,933,403
1987	13,048,446	8,574,346	2,793	21,625,585
1988	14,065,044	9,668,837	2,362	23,736,243

Race Tracks Tax Sharing Agreement



Equine Research

As part of the Race Tracks Tax Sharing Arrangement, the Ontario Racing Commission allocated 1.5% of the rebate towards Equine Research.

A total of \$291,929 was distributed to the Equine Research Centre at the University

of Guelph. Equine research was allocated \$140,000 and the Centre's Building Fund was allocated \$151,929.

The Equine Research Committee was established by the Commission in 1986 to work with the Equine Research Centre in

order to help facilitate the appropriate evaluation of projects to be undertaken and to make recommendations to the Commission. The Committee is made up of appropriate industry persons and is chaired by Commissioner Michael Byrne.

Equine Research Centre

The establishment of the Centre by its Founding Partners, the Ontario Equine Industry, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, the Ontario Racing Commission, The E. P. Taylor Equine Research Fund and the University of Guelph created the basic facilities and support needed to conduct priority research on horses.

After extensive study and input from members of the horse industry, the Equine Research Centre determined the following initial priority areas of research:

- the respiratory problems affecting exercise and racing performance;
- early embryonic losses in mares and equine infertility;
- nutritional, growth and developmental disorders affecting young horses;
- and a number of preliminary field-studies designed with the purpose of identifying new, emerging equine problems.

The focus of the Centre's research is on understanding and finding solutions for naturally occurring equine problems, using non-invasive research techniques.

Nuclear Medicine Equipment Donated

The ERC's nuclear medicine facility commenced operation on December 6, 1988 with work designed to measure clearance from the horse's respiratory system.

Because of the obvious difficulties involved in moving a 900 lb. nuclear detector around the body of a four-legged animal, it was necessary to have a specially modified hydraulic lift set up to accommodate the camera head. The lift makes it possible to scan in front, above, underneath and along one side of the horse without having to move the animal.

Since nuclear medicine procedures have application in imaging bone and soft tissue, the technique will be used in many areas of research.



Premier David Peterson cuts the ribbon at the opening of the Equine Research Centre with assistance from Jack Pemberton (left) Chairman of the Equine Research Centre Advisory Council and Don MacDonald (right), Member of the Council.

New High-Speed Treadmill Donated

The ERC's new high-speed, computerized treadmill was installed and operating for the May 17th opening ceremony. The treadmill, an Australian Equi-Tred, was donated by the Virginia Parker Moore Foundation. It can reach 32 KPH (a slow hand-gallop) and inclines to nine degrees making it possible for the horses to run uphill and achieve maximum work effort.

A computer attachment on the treadmill permits researchers to pre-set exercise programs, repeat sessions without variation, conduct fitness tests or set the treadmill at the same workload for each horse based on individual heart rates. Currently a new computer program is being developed to automatically record respiratory rates, heart rates and temperatures for statistical analysis.

Recent Acquisition of Ultrasound Equipment

A "Real Time" Linear Array Ultrasound Scanner was acquired in 1988 for use in the Centre's 1989 Early Embryonic Mortality study.

The machine offers extremely high resolution, a 64-level grey contrast scale, split frame operation for seeing two images at the same time, dual "on screen" calipers to accurately measure image structures, zoom capabilities for close-up viewing, a freeze-frame control to lock one image on screen while continuing to look at another, four memories to store "frozen" images, "on screen" circumference measurements, full image documentation and excellent recording capabilities for VCR or thermal video printer.

Ultrasound was first introduced to the field of equine reproduction in the early 1980's and is now considered essential for any kind of reproductive work.

RESULTS OF RESPIRATORY DISEASE RESEARCH

In the fall of 1987, the Equine Research Centre (ERC) began a research project to investigate the respiratory disease outbreaks currently affecting Ontario horses. The plan was to assess the nature of the outbreaks as well as to evaluate the products being used in prevention and treatment.

Standardbred horses accounted for the largest percentage of the sample population, with Thoroughbred horses second and Quarter horses, Draft horses and Hunter/Jumpers comprising the remainder. The majority of horses were between one and six years of age, with the greatest percentage being two years old and under.

General Findings

Close to two thirds of the examined horses were experiencing infectious respiratory disease. Less than half (43.2%) of this group was being treated. The minimal nasal discharge, coughs, the relatively mild fevers and lymph node enlargements were consistent with the rate of treatment.

Ontario's mild 1987/88 Fall and winter weather afforded most horse managers the opportunity for optimal ventilation in their barns. This may have decreased both the frequency and severity of respiratory diseases during the study period.

The return of large numbers of horses from Florida and the entry of young horses to barns and shedrows appears to have induced several mild outbreaks of respiratory infections.

Because exercise schedules of horses with respiratory problems were altered in a wide range of ways, it was not possible to determine any positive or negative influence of activity patterns on the duration or severity of illness.

Highlights

- Equine rhinovirus serotype 2 was the most frequently isolated virus — isolated 35 times or from 27 per cent of the 130 nasopharyngeal (throat) swabs, which were taken from 92 sick and 39 control (normal) horses. A large number of these horses and other horses which were present at the sample sites but were not swabbed, developed significant serum antibody responses (sero-conversion) to this virus, underscoring the importance of equine rhinovirus serotype 2 in respiratory disease outbreaks.

- Equine rhinopneumonitis virus or equine herpes virus type 1 was not isolated from the swabs but serum antibody responses in nine horses indicated prior exposure.

- The isolation of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* capsular Type 3 from 11 nasopharyngeal swabs (one control horse, 10 sick horses) deserves attention as this bacteria is known to cause illness in humans.

- There were several other types of bacteria isolated but none with sufficient regularity and specificity to be clearly associated with respiratory disease.

- Although 40% of the horses studied had accurately kept vaccination records and were vaccinated, 20% of the horses had definitely not been vaccinated within the past year or more and the vaccination status of the remaining 40% was not known.

Future Respiratory Research

A two-year project, commencing in 1989, will develop methods that can be used to determine the effects of various infectious agents (viruses) on the respiratory system using nuclear medicine, performance testing and endoscopy.

The effectiveness of vaccines against certain viruses and how best to care for horses which develop respiratory diseases while in training or during other activities, will also be investigated.

EARLY EMBRYONIC MORTALITY RESEARCH

During the fall of 1988, ERC researcher Dr. Pat Meyers outlined the Centre's first project in the area of reproduction to be undertaken in the 1989 breeding season.

The project will examine some of the known and unknown factors associated with early embryonic mortality (EEM) in mares.

The Centre's emphasis on EEM research stems from a growing body of knowledge which indicates that the majority of pregnancy losses in mares occur during the embryonic period (first 40 days of pregnancy). The study will take the form of a descriptive field investigation. Ultrasound examinations will be conducted on mares located at several major Thoroughbred and Standardbred breeding farms in Ontario. The purpose is to determine the incidence of EEM on each farm and analyze the factors that could be contributing to the problem. These factors fall into three categories — intrinsic (mare), extrinsic (management) and embryonic.

Cooperating farms were selected on the basis of how many mares were being bred during the 1989 breeding season and on their proximity to the Centre. The study is designed to yield maximum results while not interfering with the 1989 breeding season.



Gayle Ecker, right, executes heart-rate monitoring on a young Standardbred filly using the Centre's new computerized high-speed treadmill. Sharyn McGee assists.

Statement of Ontario Sires Stakes Trust Account

for year ended December 31, 1988

	1988	1987
Receipts		
Grants — Province of Ontario	\$8,160,381.60	\$7,564,695.89
Nominating & Sustaining Fees (Note 1)	982,839.76	923,970.11
Starting Fees	1,000,270.00	988,130.00
Track Portion	915,300.00	998,625.00
Interest	96,754.04	84,615.41
Gain on US exchange	3,136.00	1,496.38
	\$11,158,681.40	\$10,561,532.79
Disbursements		
Purses	\$10,530,160.00	\$9,913,921.00
Breeder's Award	492,911.69	559,920.00
Exchange Adjustment	797.73	178.73
Interest Transferred to Consolidated Fund	82,875.34	79,001.40
Bank Charges	4,398.00	3,057.72
Miscellaneous	(788.28)	(888.20)
	\$11,110,354.48	\$10,555,190.65
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	\$48,326.92	\$6,342.14
Balance Beginning of Year	157,953.01	151,610.87
	\$206,279.93	\$157,953.01

Note 1: Not included are the following:

Nomination Fees carried forward from 1987 — \$83,180.00

Thoroughbred Improvement Programs



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Thoroughbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Thoroughbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1987 Thoroughbred Wagering	\$413,565,076	
Provincial Rebate (2%)		\$8,271,302
Less 1.5% for Equine Research and Capital Fund		\$124,069
Balance available for Improvement Program		\$8,147,233
Add: Triactor Rebate		\$1,397,535
Balance available for Improvement Program including Triactor Rebate		\$9,544,768

Overnight Purse Supplements (70%)	\$6,681,338
Racing & Breeding Incentives (30%)	\$2,863,430

1988 Program

The 1988 Thoroughbred Improvement Program rebated 2% of the total amount wagered at Ontario Thoroughbred race-tracks in 1987 to the industry in the form of racing and breeding incentives and overnight purse supplements. The Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society in conjunction with the Ontario Racing Commission determines the emphasis that the racing and breeding incentive program will take. Similarly, the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association in conjunction with the Ontario Racing Commission determine how the overnight purse supplements are to be distributed among the races.

The Thoroughbred Improvement Program was designed to showcase and improve Canadian-breds, enhance thoroughbred racing in Ontario, encourage breeding to stallions standing in the province and to foster investment at Ontario thoroughbred sales and in Canadian-breds in general.

Support of the regular program of racing through overnight purse supplements assists with the rising costs of horse ownership and offers encouragement for Canadian-breds which are not stakes calibre.

By giving strong emphasis to the Canadian-breds, the racing and breeding incentive program helps to enhance the money earning lines in pedigrees thus increasing the value of Canadian-breds and their progeny in Canada and abroad. In 1988 the minimum purse for a stakes race for Canadian-breds was \$80,000 added and in 1989 this figure with a couple of exceptions will be \$95,000.

Highlights of the Year

■ In the Breeders' Cup, Canadian-breds Play The King and Affleet finished close on the heels of Gulch in the \$1 Million Sprint, while Music Merci, a graduate of the Select Yearling Sale at Woodbine, was fourth in the \$1 Million Juvenile. A further Canadian touch was added by the young stallion Deputy Minister, a Sovereign and Eclipse Award champion who sired Juvenile Filly winner Open Mind.

■ Rick Kennedy's Affleet started five times this season, all of which took place in the U.S. against the top handicap horses. He won the Grade 3 Toboggan Handicap at Aqueduct, was second to Gulch in the Carter and Metropolitan Handicaps and third to Lost Code in the Massachusetts Handicap before his rallying finish in his career finale, the Breeders' Cup.

■ Play The King's second place finish in the Breeder's Cup Sprint highlighted an impressive year for Canadian-breds. Kinghaven Farms' gallant comeback hero, the 5-year-old gelding was undefeated in Canada this year after recuperating from a broken leg in the fall of 1987. With \$925,000 in career winnings, Play The King received three Sovereign Awards this year in horse-of-the-year, older horse and sprinter categories.

■ For the first time in Kentucky Derby history the starting field included two Canadian-breds, Regal Classic and Gran-

acus. Granacus, owned by Steve Stavro, vaulted into contention last April when he won the Grade 1 Blue Grass Stakes.

■ Carotene and Regal Classic gained admission to Canada's exclusive \$1 Million Club, joining Sunny's Halo, Frost King and Glorious Song, while Affleet ended his exceptional career a nose away from millionaire status.

■ The exceptional 5-year-old turf specialist, Carotene was at her best last winter in Florida when she upset a tough field of colts in the Grade 1 Pan-American Stakes at Gulfstream. She was also stakes placed in the San Juan Capistrano, Santa Barbara, Sword Dance, Golden Harvest Handicaps and the Matchmaker Stakes. Owned and bred by Kinghaven Farms, the chestnut mare is Canada's richest runner of her sex (\$1,266,518) and in November was sold for \$1.3 million during a special dispersal sale of Kinghaven's breeding stock in Keeneland, KY.

■ Regal Classic soared to the top of the list of leading Canadian-bred money winners — \$1,347,697. He won the Marine, Plate Trial and Prince of Wales Stakes but lost the Queen's Plate to stablemate Regal Intention. The finest hour for the chestnut son of Vice Regent came in the \$1 Million Molson's Export Challenge when he finished second, a half-length back of Ballindaggin.

Thoroughbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program

Stakes Supplements

7 Canadian-bred Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$45-75,000 \$ 465,000

Fury Stakes

Shady Well Stakes

Bison City Stakes

Belle Mahone Stakes

Wonder Where Stakes

Princess Elizabeth Stakes

Maple Leaf Stakes

12 Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$30-55,000

410,000

Whimsical Stakes

Star Shoot Stakes

Seaway Stakes

Selene Stakes

Duchess Stakes

Hendrie Handicap

Nassau Stakes

Natalma Stakes

Canadian Stakes

My Dear Stakes

Mazarine Stakes

Tattling Stakes

Canadian Oaks

60,000

8 Canadian-bred Colt Stakes @ \$40-70,000

415,000

Jacques Cartier Stakes

Achievement Stakes

Queenston Stakes

Connaught Cup Stakes

Plate Trial Stakes

Clarendon Stakes

Vandal Stakes

Seagram Cup Stakes

Yearling Sales Stakes

Filly Stakes

75,000

Colt Stakes

75,000

E. P. Taylor Stakes

100,000

Ontario Sires Stakes

10 Stakes for O.S.S. eligible horses @ \$60,000

600,000

Victoriana Stakes

Nandi Stakes

Shepperton Stakes

Bull Page Stakes

La Prevoyante Stakes

Bunty Lawless Stakes

Sir Barton Stakes

Kingarvie Stakes

Lady Angela Stakes

New Providence Stakes

Ontario Breeders' Improvement Stakes

3 Canadian-bred Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$70,000

210,000

Ontario Damsel Stakes

Ontario Lassie Stakes

Ontario Fashion Stakes

3 Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$65,000

195,000

Ontario Matron Stakes

Ontario Debutante Stakes

Ontario Colleen Stakes

Filly Stakes

120,000

2 Two-Year-Old Stakes

Franfreluche Stakes (Canadian) @ \$60,000

Glorious Song (Open) @ \$35,000

1 Three-Year-Old Stakes

Jammed Lovely Stakes @ \$60,000

Canadian Triple Crown Stakes

Breeders' Stakes

25,000

Prince Of Wales Stakes

25,000

CTHS Two-Year-Old in Training Sales Stakes

15,000

Canadian-bred Promotion Program

38,430

Total Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program

\$2,863,430

1988 Thoroughbred Incentive Program by Division

	Number of Races	Div.	Track Money Added \$	Government Money Added \$	Total \$
Ontario Sires Stakes (not including entry fees)					
2 y/o	1	1	\$20,000	\$60,000	\$80,000
2 y/o Fillies	1	1	20,000	60,000	80,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	20,000	60,000	80,000
3 y/o Fillies	2	2	40,000	120,000	160,000
3 y/o Colts and Geldings	1	1	20,000	60,000	80,000
3 y/o & Upwards	3	3	60,000	180,000	240,000
3 y/o & Upwards — Fillies & Mares	1	1	20,000	60,000	80,000
Total Ontario Sires Stakes	10	10	\$200,000	\$600,000	\$800,000
Canadian-Bred Stakes					
2 y/o	2	2	\$60,000	\$100,000	\$160,000
2 y/o Fillies	5	5	105,000	355,000	460,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
3 y/o	5	5	335,000	225,000	560,000
3 y/o Fillies	6	6	225,000	385,000	610,000
3 y/o & Upwards	1	1	40,000	40,000	80,000
3 y/o & Upwards — Fillies & Mares	3	3	90,000	190,000	280,000
4 y/o & Upwards	2	2	60,000	100,000	160,000
Total Canadian-bred Stakes	25	25	\$940,000	\$1,470,000	\$2,410,000
Supplemental Stakes					
2 y/o	1	1	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
2 y/o Fillies	5	5	150,000	240,000	390,000
3 y/o Fillies	4	5	140,000	155,000	295,000
3 y/o & Upwards — Fillies & Mares	4	4	290,000	190,000	480,000
4 y/o & Upwards — Fillies & Mares	4	4	100,000	155,000	255,000
Total Supplemental Stakes	18	19	\$695,000	\$755,000	\$1,450,000
Total Incentive Program	53	54	\$1,835,000	\$2,825,000	\$4,660,000

Supplemental Purse Grant Assistance To Overnight Events

1988 Breakdown

	Wagering \$ 1987	% of Wagering	1988 Overnight Purse Supplement \$
Woodbine	\$251,320,614	60.77%	
Greenwood	112,095,301	27.10%	
Fort Erie	50,149,163	12.13%	
	\$413,565,078	100.00%	\$6,681,338

1971 through 1988

Year	Amount
1971	774,168
1972	630,322
1973	747,010
1974	1,104,420
1975	1,233,638
1976	1,406,100
1977	1,509,450
1978	1,581,500
1979	1,674,750
1980	1,678,900
1981	1,969,080
1982	4,282,700
1983	4,861,000
1984	4,956,900
1985	5,298,200
1986	5,404,962
1987	5,925,281
1988	6,681,338



Photo: Michael Burns

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of ten races restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the Province of Ontario and registered with the program at the Ontario Racing Commission. The stallion must also be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. A popular bonus of this program is that although you must breed to an Ontario stallion, the foal does not have to be Canadian-bred to run in these races. This benefits the stallion owner by attracting out-of-province mares and the breeder, because regardless of where the foal is dropped, it is eligible to these races.

Breakdown of the 1988 Thoroughbred Ontario Sires Stakes

Date	Ontario Sires Stakes	Track Money Added	Gov't Money Added	Starting Fees	Total Purse
May 8	3 Y/O Fillies	\$20,000	\$60,000	\$4,800	\$84,800
	Lady Angela Stakes				
May 21	3 Y/O & Upwards	20,000	60,000	3,200	83,200
	New Providence Stakes				
July 2	3 Y/O & Upwards	20,000	60,000	7,200	87,200
	Fillies & Mares				
July 30	Victoria Stakes	20,000	60,000	9,600	89,600
	Nandi Stakes				
August 21	2 Y/O Colts & Geldings	20,000	60,000	6,400	86,400
	Bull Page Stakes				
Sept. 5	3 Y/O & Upwards	20,000	60,000	7,200	87,200
	Shepperton Stakes				
Oct. 6	3 Y/O Fillies	20,000	60,000	5,600	85,600
	La Prevoyante Stakes				
Oct. 22	3 Y/O & Upwards	20,000	60,000	8,800	88,800
	Bunty Lawless Stakes				
Nov. 26	2 Y/O	20,000	60,000	7,200	87,200
	Kingarvie Stakes				
Dec. 3	3 Y/O Colts & Geldings	20,000	60,000	4,800	84,800
	Sir Barton Stakes				
Total		\$200,000	\$600,000	\$64,800	\$864,800

Thoroughbred Stallions

Stallions Registered For Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Thoroughbred	97	95	97	107	109

Ontario Sires Stakes — Year End Statistics

Leading Stallions

Bold Ruckus	\$133,232.00
Brave Shot (GB)	123,432.00
Always Run Lucky	109,488.00
Great Gladiator	64,480.00
Vice Regent	63,072.00
Commemorate	57,600.00
Same Direction	51,840.00
Saunders	51,360.00
Cool Victor	50,880.00
Dom Alaric (Fr)	49,104.00
Steady Growth	35,200.00
Brave Regent	17,488.00
Springhill (Ire)	17,440.00
Dancing Champ	14,384.00
Briartic	10,080.00
Northern Mystic	7,872.00
Lord Durham	5,232.00
Stonewalk	2,616.00
	\$864,800.00

Leading Owners

P. Lamantia and J. Russell	\$104,160.00
Knob Hill Stable	62,648.00
Kinghaven Farms	61,576.00
Summerhill Farms	53,760.00
Village Squire Stb., P. DaCosta & Partner	52,416.00
Linmac Farms	52,320.00
Kruger Brothers Stable and S. Fishman	52,320.00
D. Ross	52,320.00
F. DiGiulio and F. DiGiulio Jr.	51,840.00
C.E. Simmons	51,360.00
Mr. & Mrs. C.H. Schwabe	21,872.00
Pinoy Racing Stable	19,648.00
Dooney's Racing Stable & F. Figliano	17,920.00
Script R Farm	17,440.00
Bennett Farms and F. MacKinlay	17,440.00
Hi-Lo Acres	17,280.00
P. Brodtkin, G. Sharpe and Partner	17,120.00
M.J. and W. Good	16,960.00
D.J.D. Stable	12,256.00
P.A. Sherwood and Sheehan Farms	9,856.00
L. Stubbs	9,768.00
Triple M Farms and G. Tabb	9,592.00
Pammer Kopl Farm	9,592.00
B. Schwartz and H.A. Gampel	9,504.00
J. Louis Levesque Stables	9,328.00
M. Burnett	7,872.00
F. and C. Russo	5,376.00
A. Maitland	5,232.00
Cinnamont Stable & Partner	5,232.00
A.J. Anderson	5,088.00
J. Shiewitz and D.B. Davidson	5,088.00
Sam-Son Farm & Windfields Farm	4,992.00
Windfields Farm	2,688.00
S. and B. Buck	2,616.00
A.W. Minshall	2,616.00
Anderson Farms and Taylor Stable	2,592.00
F.J. Labenski	2,568.00
R. Bawden	2,544.00
	\$864,800.00

Sales Statistics

As a major indicator of the health of the industry, statistics on sales ring activity can be used to gauge business trends and the effect of the improvement program funds. The increase in value of the Thoroughbred stakes program as a result of the government rebate program has had the effect of improving the pedigrees of Canadian-bred and Ontario-sired horses which in turn improves their marketability and performance in the sales.

Woodbine Sales

Woodbine Sales, the province's major Thoroughbred sales company, benefits from the improvement program through two stakes restricted to sales graduates. This promotes the sale and increases the earning potential of horses that pass through the sales ring.

Yearling Sales Statistics

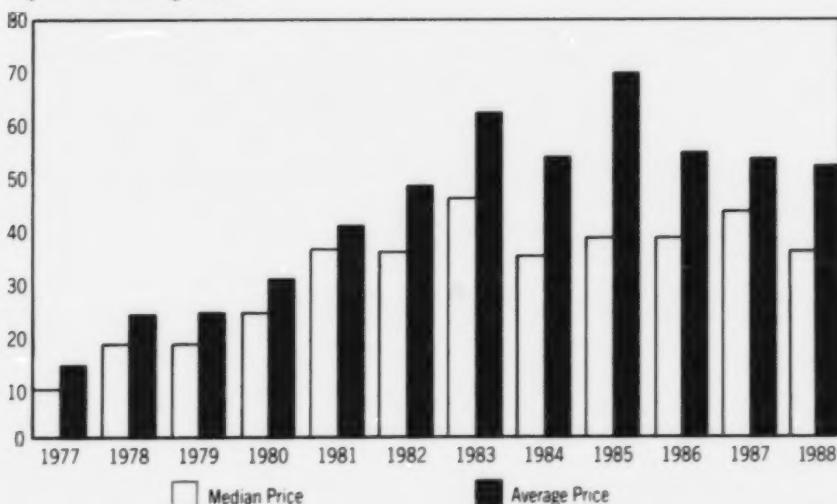
September Yearling Sale — Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Sold	Gross	Average	% Change from Prior Year	Median	Median Average*
1977	219	\$3,200,000	\$14,612			\$10,398
1978	179	4,219,300	23,572	61.3%		18,940
1979	182	4,582,400	25,178	6.8%		19,234
1980	202	6,389,000	31,629	25.6%		25,033
1981	231	9,598,700	41,553	31.4%		36,714
1982	233	11,358,500	48,749	17.3%		36,120
1983	218	13,499,000	61,922	27.0%	\$40,000	46,259
1984	211	11,424,500	54,145	-12.6%	25,000	35,716
1985	189	13,273,000	70,228	29.7%	33,000	39,179
1986	201	11,032,000	54,886	-21.8%	35,000	39,062
1987	233	12,418,000	53,296	-2.9%	37,000	44,120
1988	206	10,785,500	52,357	-1.8%	30,000	36,051

*Median Average = median price excluding the top 10% and the bottom 10%

Yearling Sales Averages

September Yearling Sale



September Yearling Sale — Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Top 50 Sold		Top 50 Ontario Sired	
	Sales \$	Average	Sales \$	Average
1974	1,304,800	28,096	792,700	15,854
1975	1,567,000	31,340	579,900	11,598
1976	1,537,000	30,740	816,900	16,338
1977	1,902,500	38,050	885,700	17,714
1978	2,671,000	53,420	1,621,000	32,420
1979	2,840,500	56,810	1,855,000	36,700
1980	4,015,000	80,300	2,818,000	56,360
1981	5,123,000	102,460	3,391,000	67,820
1982	5,930,000	118,600	3,440,000	68,800
1983	7,906,000	158,120	3,792,000	75,840
1984	7,462,000	149,240	2,856,000	57,120
1985	9,571,000	191,420	2,408,000	48,160
1986	6,823,000	136,460	3,134,000	62,680
1987	6,395,000	127,900	3,617,000	72,340
1988	6,709,000	134,180	2,632,000	52,640

Performance of Ontario Sires

1988 September Yearling Sales

Stallion	Stud Fee	No. Sold	Total	Average
Always Run Lucky	\$4,000	8	\$164,000	\$20,500
Bold Ruckus	20,000	9	570,100	63,344
Brave Shot (GB)	3,500	2	41,000	20,500
Briartic	6,000	7	157,500	22,500
Bridle Path	2,500	1	4,000	4,000
Canadian Factor	5,000	3	92,000	30,667
Commemorate	25,000	12	542,000	45,167
Dauphin Fabuleux	7,500	3	150,000	50,000
Dom Alaric (FR)	deceased	7	263,000	37,571
Limbo Dancer	deceased	5	172,000	34,400
Pax Nobiscum	5,000	2	46,000	23,000
Steady Growth	3,500	1	12,000	12,000
Stonewalk	2,500	1	75,000	75,000
Vice Regent	75,000	7	632,000	90,286

Average Stud Fee: \$12,464

No. Sold: 68

Total Sales: \$2,920,600

Average: \$42,950

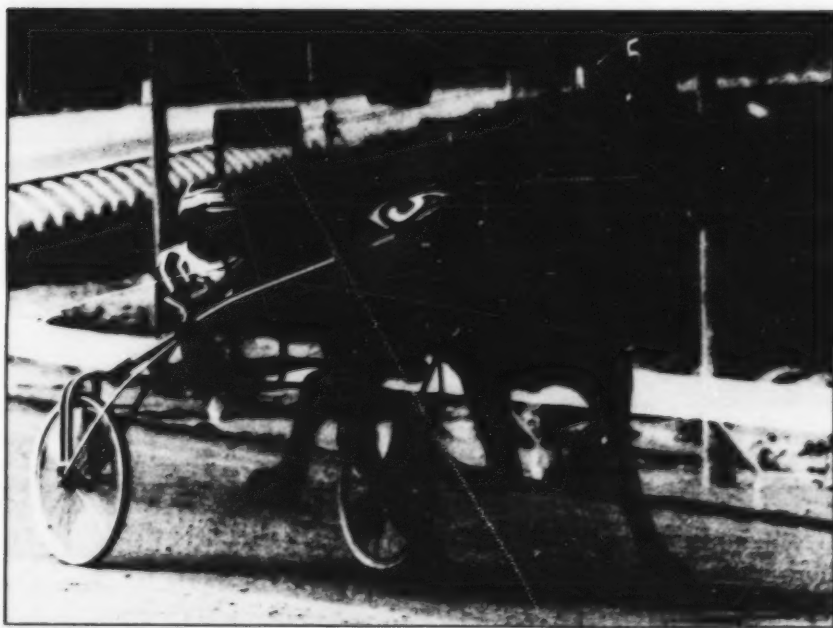
Export Figures

In 1988 the number of horses purchased by out-of-province buyers from the Autumn Mixed Sale and September Yearling Sale in Toronto was 107, for a total value of \$4,103,900.

The sustained support of foreign buyers indicates the attractiveness of the 'made in Canada' product.

	Autumn Mixed Sale		September Yearling Sale		Total	
	No. Sold	\$ Value	No. Sold	\$ Value	No. Sold	\$ Value
Canada (outside Ontario)	33	108,800	11	365,000	44	473,800
United States	14	57,500	32	2,539,000	46	2,596,500
Overseas	8	66,600	9	967,000	17	1,033,600
Total	55	232,900	52	3,871,000	107	4,103,900

Standardbred Improvement Programs



TAX AUDIT, winner of the 1988 Labatt's Blue Ontario Sires Stakes Championship Trot



IVAN, winner of the 1988 Labatt's Blue Ontario Sires Stakes Championship Pace

Photos: John E. Jones

1988 Standardbred Improvement Program

Total 1987 Standardbred Wagering — Supervised Tracks

	\$559,534,044
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	
Less: 1.5% of Rebate for Equine Research and Capital Fund	\$11,190,681 (167,860)
Balance available for Improvement Program	
Add: Triactor Rebate	11,022,821
Balance available for Improvement Program including Triactor Rebate	2,862,666
	\$13,885,487
Overnight Purse Supplements (59%)	
	\$8,192,437
1988 Racing and Breeding Incentives (41%)	
Less: Trillium Series	\$5,693,050
Publicity and Promotion Budget	(420,000) (400,000)
Balance Available for the Ontario Sires Stakes	\$4,873,050

Overnight Purse Supplements

Grants to Increase Purses other than Stakes Races

Track	Total 1988 Overnight Purse Supplements
Class I	
Ontario Jockey Club	\$3,919,700
Windsor	985,700
Flamboro Downs	849,050
Class II	
Rideau Carleton	361,250
Western Fair	427,900
Orangeville	302,750
Class III	
Elmira	129,778
Dresden	177,900
Barrie	305,650
Sudbury Downs	151,825
Kingston Park	205,675
Class IV	
Kawartha Downs	27,950
Woodstock	51,600
Leamington	79,000
Belleville	72,025
Hanover	80,425
Clinton	38,100
Goderich	26,159
Total	\$8,192,437

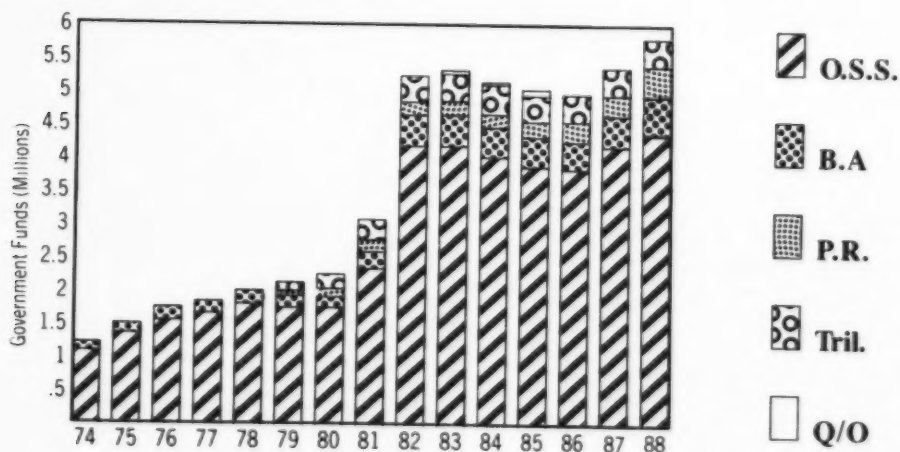
1971 through 1988

Year	
1971	\$1,175,877
1972	1,031,003
1973	1,266,493
1974	1,266,493
1975	1,497,391
1976	1,724,750
1977	1,839,250
1978	2,000,000
1979	2,108,000
1980	2,256,000
1981	4,602,000
1982	6,362,000
1983	7,174,000
1984	7,377,200
1985	7,254,650
1986	7,007,561
1987	7,550,792
1988	8,192,437

Racing and Breeding Incentives — 1974 to present

Year	Ontario Sires Stakes Races	Breeders' Awards	Publicity and Promotion Budget	Trillium Series	Interprovincial Series	Total Incentives Program Funds
1974	1,091,156	121,240				1,212,396
1975	1,347,652	149,739				1,497,391
1976	1,552,275	172,475				1,724,750
1977	1,655,325	183,925				1,839,250
1978	1,800,000	200,000				2,000,000
1979	1,721,700	191,300	89,600	105,400		2,108,000
1980	1,737,900	193,100	100,000	225,000		2,256,000
1981	2,332,128	259,072	170,000	306,800		3,068,000
1982	4,175,120	463,880	192,000	400,000		5,231,000
1983	4,173,800	463,700	210,000	400,000	75,000	5,322,500
1984	4,006,000	445,100	200,000	400,000	75,000	5,126,100
1985	3,873,818	430,432	235,000	400,000	75,000	5,014,250
1986	3,828,990	425,416	300,000	400,000		4,954,406
1987	4,144,861	460,520	315,000	420,000		5,340,381
1988	4,385,751	487,304	400,000	420,000		5,693,055

Racing and Breeding Incentives



Trillium Series

The Trillium Series is a program of five pacing races and five trotting races for two year-old fillies. In 1988 the Series was contested for a total of \$750,079 in purses (see page 52 for details).

Restricted to fillies which are at least 75% owned by Ontario residents, the program was designed to encourage the purchase of well-bred fillies which would eventually enter the broodmare ranks in the province.

Horses Nominated and Sustained

No. of Fillies Nominated

Year	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Fillies	357	383	444	522	483

No. of Fillies Sustained

Pacers	171	180	215	251	254
Trotters	72	96	101	123	104
Total	243	276	316	374	358

1988 Trillium Series for Ontario-Owned Fillies

Leading Money Winners – Final Statistics

Horse	Owner	Trillium Earnings	Actual Earnings
Two Year Old Filly Pacers			
Keystone Wallis (Albatross)	Trent Valley Stables	\$42,908	\$345,550
Sal Harbor (Coal Harbor)	Carman Hie Stable Inc.	35,743	211,860
Ever Willing (Willow Wiper)	Robert L. Hamather	31,532	122,790
Cant Beat A Tiger (Viking Tiger)	Melvin Wilson, Keith Wilson & Dean Wilson	28,864	107,850
Albens Diamond Lil (Willow Wiper)	William F. Hunter	28,739	73,662
Two Year Old Filly Trotters			
Stormont Easygoing (Balanced Image)	Eric Baker	\$67,731	\$235,841
Peach Pit (Speedy Somolli)	Wellwood Stables Inc., Betty Fasken, Gustav Schickedanz and H. Charles Armstrong	37,627	122,535
Adriatic (Baltic Speed)	R. K. W. Standardbreds	23,897	34,713
Candy McRae (Cock Of The Walk)	Frank Lipsett and Ronald Lipsett	22,530	113,557
Reigning Lady (Brisco Hanover)	McKnight Stables, Shael Stable and Leo Fowler	20,036	85,666

Fastest Miles

Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track
1 1/2 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1988	Cant Beat A Tiger	1:58.4	Flamboro
Trot:	1982	Armbr Blush	2:03.3	Dresden
5/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1987	Three Mile Island	1:56.2	Windsor
Trot:	1987	Cosmic Storm	1:59.1	Windsor

Ontario Sires Stakes — Standardbred Stallions

The foundation of the Ontario Sires Stakes program are the stallions registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. Any foals resulting from a breeding to a registered stallion is eligible for nomination to the Ontario Sires Stakes. To be eligible to the program the stallion must be owned by an Ontario resident or leased to an Ontario resident for a period of not less than 5 years.

Stallions Registered in the Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
No. of Stallions	320	330	360	379	354

Leading Standardbred Stallions

	# of O.S.S. Starters	Starters' Earnings
Pacing Stallions		
Coal Harbor	29	\$496,826
Armbro Omaha	34	423,504
Jonquil Hanover	24	347,280
Kawartha Skipper	10	268,602
Fundamentalist	12	257,668
Trotting Stallions		
Balanced Image	21	\$736,072
Jazz Cosmos	48	670,035
Worthy Bowl	18	495,908
Dream of Glory	29	440,728
Brisco Hanover	17	261,689



Balanced Image



Coal Harbor

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions - Two Year Olds

As at November 25, 1988

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins		Fastest Win		Starters Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	1/2	5/8		
Two Year Old Colt Pacers								
Armbro Splurge	2	2	4	2	2:01	1:59	\$106,445	Surmae (\$54,800)
Willow Wiper	5	2	1	2	2:01.3	1:59	94,482	Power Of The Press (\$49,348)
Coal Harbor	5	2	3	3	2:00.1	1:57.4	86,380	Young Coal (\$61,464)
Fundamentalist	7	3	2	3	1:59.3	1:58	85,837	Mystery Fund (\$33,592)
Senor Skipper	1	1	5	1	1:58.1	1:59.3	79,847	Rock N General (\$79,847)
Two Year Old Filly Pacers								
Coal Harbor	7	3	7	4	1:58.4	1:58.1	\$168,007	Sal Harbor (\$77,523)
Willow Wiper	8	3	5	2	1:59.2	2:00.3	119,963	Ever Willing (\$64,539)
Armbo Omaha	9	2	4	n/a	2:00	n/a	90,573	Cohen Gettum (\$53,082)
Fundamentalist	1	1	2	2	2:02.1	1:58.3	71,587	Bridal Fund (\$71,587)
River Rouge	7	2	2	1	2:01.4	1:59.1	66,531	Rouge Filly (\$30,850)
Two Year Old Colt Trotters								
Jazz Cosmos	12	4	5	2	2:05.2	2:04	\$240,756	Miles Lauxmont (\$78,290)
Balanced Image	4	2	7	5	2:02.4	2:00	201,993	Ride The Wave (\$141,276)
Armbo Agile	4	1	2	1	2:05.2	2:00.4	75,315	Harmies Son (\$71,121)
Dream of Glory	6	1	1	n/a	2:10	n/a	74,879	The Barn Stormer (\$28,691)
Orbel G G	1	1	1	1	2:08.1	2:06.1	70,811	Raygin Blaze (\$70,811)
Two Year Old Filly Trotters								
Balanced Image	3	2	4	3	2:05.1	2:02.2	\$339,931	Stormont Easygoing (\$138,938)
Dream Of Glory	5	2	2	4	2:05.4	2:01.1	120,960	Armbo Hiner (\$139,438)
Jazz Cosmos	12	1	n/a	1	n/a	2:02.1	106,645	Jazzme (\$39,536)
Worthy Bowl	1	1	1	2	2:03.1	2:02.3	68,546	Lou Macs Reivew (\$93,879)
Brisco Hanover	4	1	1	n/a	2:06.2	n/a	67,668	Reigning Lady (\$65,631)

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Three Year Old Colt Pacers

Armbro Omaha	11	6	5	4	1:57.1	1:55.2	\$191,007	Armbro Gerald (\$74,509)
Jonquil Hanover	9	2	5	6	1:56.4	1:56.4	183,612	Ivan (\$136,546)
Dallas Almahurst	9	4	3	2	1:57.3	1:57.1	98,511	Timely Pride (\$28,278)
Fundamentalist	3	1	4	1	1:58.2	1:57.3	89,638	Riser (\$68,980)
Allwin Steady	9	1	3	2	1:57.4	1:56	70,499	Allwin Scotty (\$62,907)

Three Year Old Filly Pacers

Kawartha Skipper	6	2	9	6	1:57.2	1:56.4	\$237,165	Silver Reign (\$141,233)
Coal Harbor	10	3	3	4	2:00.1	1:57	180,768	Holly Harbor (\$82,432)
Ladatross	2	1	5	3	1:57.1	1:56	111,585	Kinway Heather (\$102,159)
Greystone Al	3	2	3	2	1:59.3	1:56.3	102,444	Somebody Special (\$56,841)
Armbro Omaha	8	2	1	1	2:00.2	1:58	78,284	Fabulous Find (\$48,022)

Three Year Old Colt Trotters

Balanced Image	10	3	8	6	1:59.4	1:58.1	\$272,708	Tax Audit (\$128,733)
Worthy Bowl	7	3	2	5	2:03.4	1:57.3	166,406	Nero Domarr (\$86,205)
Brisco Hanover	7	3	3	2	2:02.2	1:59.4	131,151	Blue Jay Spirit (\$43,345)
Dream Of Glory	6	4	4	1	2:03	1:59.3	108,381	Shawland Noble (\$24,581)
Yankee Predator	5	1	3	3	2:00.3	1:59.4	89,934	Prestidigitator (\$84,003)

Three Year Old Filly Trotters

Jazz Cosmos	12	4	6	7	2:02.2	1:59.3	\$245,430	Cosmic Storm (\$65,460)
Worthy Bowl	7	4	7	3	2:02.3	2:00	219,695	Bertha Herbert (\$73,693)
Yankee Predator	5	2	3	2	2:01.3	1:59.1	89,967	Ruby Skye (\$54,466)
Dream Of Glory	12	1	1	1	2:03.3	2:08.1	83,173	Arbro Garbo (\$58,847)
Balanced Image	4	2	3	2	2:02.2	2:00.2	81,444	N V Cutey (\$36,663)

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes program was established in 1974 and consists of a series of 13 races for each of the eight divisions, totalling 104 races which take place during the course of the summer season. Eligibility for the Ontario Sires Stakes is restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the province and registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. Yearlings must then be nominated by May 15th of their yearling year and sustained to race either as two-year-olds or three-year-olds. Nominating and sustaining fees are collected and then distributed together with the Improvement Program Funds in the form of purses.

Horses Nominated and Sustained

No. of Horses Nominated

Year	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
O.S.S. Number	#13	#14	#15	#16	#17
Colts	1308	1286	1304	1292	1332
Fillies	1217	1225	1278	1228	1155
Total	2525	2511	2582	2520	2487

No. of Horses Sustained

O.S.S. Number	#11	#12	#12	#13	#13	#14	#14	#15	#15	#16
Colts	455	628	520	576	539	630	549	669	508	618
Fillies	469	505	446	545	524	583	498	623	482	531
Total	924	1133	966	1121	1063	1213	1047	1292	990	1149

Calculation of Government Portion of OSS Purses

'A' Events (70% of the Fund) \$3,411,135

48 'A' Events	\$71,065
Less: 10% for Breeders' Awards	(7,106)
Government Portion per 'A' Event	<u>\$63,959</u>

'B' Events (30% of the Fund) 1,461,915

56 'B' Events	\$26,106
Less: 10% for Breeders' Awards	(2,611)
Government Portion per 'B' Event	<u>\$23,495</u>

Total Government Portion to Ontario Sires Stakes **\$4,873,050**

Sample Calculations of Ontario Sires Stakes Events (estimated)

'A' EVENT - Greenwood

Government Portion	\$63,959
Nomination and Sustaining Fees	14,102
Track Portion	9,000
Added Money	87,061
Starting Fees	
(\$1,530 × 11)	17,400
Estimated Purse (1 Div.)	\$104,461

'B' EVENT - Kingston

Government Portion	\$23,495
Nomination and Sustaining Fees	5,562
Track Portion	1,000
Added Money	30,057
Starting Fees	
(\$510 × 10)	6,000
Estimated Purse (1 Div.)	\$36,057

Ontario Sires Stakes — Race Records

Ontario Sires Stakes Race Records (1974-1988) with World Record Comparisons

Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track	World Record	
1/2 Mile Tracks						
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1985	Twin B Playboy	1:56.2	Flamboro Downs	Falcon Seelster	1:51
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1988	Kinway Heather	1:57.1	Barrie	Amneris/ Town Tattler/ H H Shadow	1:54.4
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1988	A Go Go Lauxmont	1:59.4	Orangeville	Editor In Chief	1:56
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:59.1	Dresden	Armbro Devona	1:57
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1984	Snipper	1:58	Flamboro Downs	Albert Albert/ Kentucky Spur	1:55.1
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1983	Aromaha	1:59	Flamboro Downs	L Dee's Trish	1:55
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1986	Armbro Fame	2:00.1	Flamboro Downs	Petri Cosmos	1:58.3
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1985	Nadirs Pride	2:02.4	Flamboro Downs	Lizzie Lee Brook	1:59
5/8 Mile Tracks						
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1984	Mystery Skipper	1:55	Windsor	Marauder/ Towner's Big Guy	1:52.1
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1988	Kinway Heather	1:56	Greenwood	Nadia Lobell	1:53.4
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1987	Nero Domarr	1:57.3	Rideau Carleton	Mack Lobell	1:54.1
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:57.1	Kawartha Downs	Keystone Harem	1:56.4
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1986	Perfect Morning	1:57.1	Kawartha Downs	Kentucky Spur	1:53
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1987/	Silver Reign	1:57.3	Windsor/ Greenwood	Central Park West	1:53
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1988	Cant Beat A Tiger				
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1986/	N V Worthy	2:00	Windsor	Valley Victory	1:58
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1988	Ride The Wave				
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1985	Nadirs Pride	2:00.3	Windsor	Peace Corps	1:57

Fastest Miles in 1974

Comparison to First Year Program

Category	Horse	Track	Time
1/2 Mile Track			
3 Y/O Colt Pace	Terry Parker	Clinton	2:04.1
3 Y/O Filly Pace	Merrywood Sara	Elmira	2:03
3 Y/O Colt Trot	Dart Camp	Barrie	2:08.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	Shoein	Woodstock	2:08
2 Y/O Colt Pace	Hotspurs Honour	Leamington	2:07.3
2 Y/O Filly Pace	Western Kate	Owen Sound	2:08
2 Y/O Colt Trot	Oakhurst Sargent	Clinton	2:10.1
2 Y/O Filly Trot	Shawland Belle	Leamington	2:09.1
5/8 Mile Track			
3 Y/O Colt Pace	Armbro Odyssey	Kawartha	2:02.3
3 Y/O Filly Pace	Merrywood Sara	Frontenac	2:01
3 Y/O Colt Trot	Dart Camp	Windsor	2:05.1
3 Y/O Filly Trot	Mia Herbert	Rideau Carleton	2:05.3
2 Y/O Colt Pace	Pat's Bye Bye	Greenwood	2:05
2 Y/O Filly Pace	Epiphany	Rideau Carleton	2:05.4
2 Y/O Colt Trot	Delvin Herbert	Rideau Carleton	2:07
2 Y/O Filly Trot	Shawland Belle	Frontenac	2:09.3

Divisional Leading Money Winners — Three Year Olds

As at November 25, 1988

	O.S.S. Earnings	Actual Earnings	Lifetime Record
Three Year Old Colt Pace			
Ivan (Jonquil Hanover)	\$136,546	\$191,383	1:55.0F
Armbro Gerald (Armbro Omaha)	74,509	77,974	1:55.2F
Riser (Fundamentalist)	68,980	98,036	1:57.3F
Allwin Scotty (Allwin Steady)	62,907	188,907	1:55.0F
Marilarts Visitor (Senor Skipper)	52,829	77,764	1:58.2F
Halls Harbor (Coal Harbor)	45,611	89,313	1:57.0F
Perfect Ray (Armbro Omaha)	31,427	41,815	1:57.3F
Eagle Seelster (Tarport Count)	30,799	89,649	1:56.0F
W N Dee (Noor Ferndale)	30,576	50,124	1:58.4H
Gerabell Pat (Brigadier General)	29,403	32,343	1:57.3F

Three Year Old Filly Pace

Silver Reign (Kawartha Skipper)	\$141,233	\$293,132	1:55.4F
Kinway Heather (Ladatross)	102,159	165,281	1:54.4F
Holly Harbor (Coal Harbor)	82,432	90,299	2:00.0F
Halo Girl (Kawartha Skipper)	64,311	97,092	1:56.4F
Somebody Special (Greystone Al)	56,841	82,883	1:56.3F
Fabulous Find (Armbro Omaha)	48,022	64,777	2:00.2H
Harbour Square (Coal Harbor)	43,616	69,506	1:59.0F
Allannie (Greystone Al)	40,196	68,949	1:58.3F
Table Top Dancer (Springfield)	38,661	55,042	1:57.0F
Vin Blanc (Jonquil Hanover)	30,686	49,143	1:59.4F

Three Year Old Colt Trot

Tax Audit (Balanced Image)	\$128,733	\$174,480	2:00.3F
A Go Go Lauxmont (Balanced Imaged)	91,619	190,245	T1:54.3M
Nero Domarr (Worthy Bowl)	86,205	142,815	T1:54.4M
Prestidigitator (Yankee Predator)	84,003	93,868	1:59.4F
Blue Jay Spirit (Brisco Hanover)	43,345	58,625	1:59.4F
No Sex Please (Brisco Hanover)	36,760	312,021	1:59.0F
Hes Worthy (Worthy Bowl)	35,961	37,591	2:01.2H
Poker Lauxmont (Balanced Image)	31,625	36,251	Q2:02.3F
Jo Brisco (Brisco Hanover)	29,713	36,966	2:05.4H
Shawland Noble (Dream of Glory)	28,581	38,468	2:02.4F

Three Year Old Filly Trot

Bertha Herbert (Worthy Bowl)	\$72,693	\$74,293	2:02.0F
Georgina Seelster (Worthy Bowl)	65,895	75,621	T1:56.1M
Cosmic Storm (Jazz Cosmos)	65,460	130,099	T1:57.0M
Jazzy Bett (Jazz Cosmos)	63,428	65,568	2:01.0F
Armbro Garbo (Dream of Glory)	58,847	74,010	T1:57.0M
Ruby Skye (Yankee Predator)	54,466	67,915	1:59.1F
Proud Touch (Jazz Cosmos)	42,012	47,406	2:00.0F
N V Cutey (Balanced Image)	36,663	40,997	2:02.2H
Alissas Beauty (Armbro Agile)	32,391	38,491	2:02.4F
Brandy Flambe (Worthy Bowl)	30,277	32,531	2:06.3H

Divisional Leading Money Winners — Two Year Olds

As at November 25, 1988

	O.S.S. Earnings	Actual Earnings	Lifetime Record
Two Year Old Colt Pace			
Rock N General (Senor Skipper)	\$79,847	\$83,097	1:58.1H
Young Coal (Coal Harbor)	61,464	71,364	1:56.2F
Beaudoonnel (Super Wave)	55,497	70,372	1:58.0F
Surmae (Armbro Splurge)	54,800	55,666	2:00.1F
Eye Care (Armbro Splurge)	51,645	52,795	1:59.0F
Power of the Press (Willow Wiper)	49,348	55,843	1:59.1F
Wow (Armbro Omaha)	35,966	77,696	2:02.1F
Ashers Luck (Jonquil Hanover)	34,004	38,683	1:58.2F
Mystery Fund (Fundamentalist)	33,592	35,342	1:58.2F
Firstline Dreamer (Dream Maker)	30,287	44,490	1:59.1H

Two Year Old Filly Pace

Sal Harbor (Coal Harbor)	\$77,523	\$211,860	1:58.0F
Gigi Wilco (Coal Harbor)	72,975	95,046	1:58.1F
Bridal Fund (Fundamentalist)	71,587	72,232	1:58.3F
Ever Willing (Willow Wiper)	64,539	122,790	2:00.3F
Cant Beat A Tiger (Viking Tiger)	58,156	107,650	Q1:57.3F
Cohen Gettum (Armbro Omaha)	53,082	77,371	2:00.0H
Tri B Aphrodite (Tri Bec Brutis)	47,068	69,769	2:01.2F
Albens Diamond Lil (Willow Wiper)	34,844	73,662	1:58.3F
Passion Time (Jonquil Hanover)	34,142	50,973	2:00.4H
Rouge Filly (River Rouge)	30,850	40,554	1:59.1F

Two Year Old Colt Trot

Ride The Wave (Balanced Image)	\$141,276	\$240,203	2:00.0F
Miles Lauxmont (Jazz Cosmos)	78,290	78,455	2:04.0F
Harmies Son (Armbro Agile)	71,121	72,246	2:00.4F
Raygin Blaze (Orbel G G)	70,811	70,955	2:06.1F
Snappy Dresser (Jazz Cosmos)	44,508	47,091	2:05.2F
Sirot Lauxmont (Balanced Image)	39,980	40,480	2:02.4F
Appleby Zip (Laryngitis)	37,127	37,527	2:07.2H
Farrals Bullet (Armbro Bullet)	36,549	36,549	2:04.2H
Canadian Dreamer (Jazz Cosmos)	34,104	34,104	2:05.2H
The Barn Stormer (Dream of Glory)	28,691	31,101	2:10.0H

Two Year Old Filly Trot

Armbro Hinter (Dream of Glory)	\$139,438	\$368,654	2:00.3F
Stormont Easygoing (Balanced Image)	138,938	235,841	2:02.4F
Lou Macs Review (Worthy Bowl)	93,879	127,544	2:02.3F
Candy McRae (Cock of the Walk)	76,923	113,557	2:03.1H
Reigning Lady (Brisco Hanover)	65,631	85,666	2:06.0H
Jazzme (Jazz Cosmos)	39,536	49,329	2:02.1F
Liannes Image (Balanced Image)	29,935	46,101	2:02.2F
My Gal Herbert (Brisco Herbert)	27,781	34,494	2:04.4H
B Cor Jen (Dream of Glory)	20,013	39,622	2:03.1F
Saxy Kitten (Jazz Cosmos)	15,788	18,461	n/a

Summary of the 1988 Racing Program

	No. of Races		No. of Divisions			Total Nominating Fees	Total Sustaining Fees	Total Start Fees
	A	B	A	B	Total			
OSS 15								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	6	7	31	26	57	6,514.95	133,199.99	129,960.00
3 Y/O Filly Pace	6	7	20	21	41	6,514.95	127,200.01	116,860.00
3 Y/O Colt Trot	6	7	20	20	40	6,514.95	70,000.02	111,820.00
3 Y/O Filly Trot	6	7	19	19	38	6,514.95	65,599.99	107,450.00
Total	24	28	90	86	176	26,059.80	396,000.01	466,090.00
OSS 16								
2 Y/O Colt Pace	6	7	24	21	45	7,140.00	125,100.01	115,940.00
2 Y/O Filly Pace	6	7	23	25	48	7,140.00	111,899.97	123,250.00
2 Y/O Colt Trot	6	7	15	15	30	7,140.00	60,299.96	96,380.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	6	7	11	11	22	7,140.00	47,400.01	101,780.00
Total	24	28	73	72	145	28,560.00	344,699.95	437,350.00
Total OSS 15 & OSS 16	48	56	163	158	321	54,619.80	740,699.96	903,440.00
Trillium Series								
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5		14			34,268.70	76,200.30	57,200.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5		9			14,031.30	31,199.70	40,690.00
Total	10	0	23	0	0	48,300.00	107,400.00	97,890.00
Labatt's Blue Ontario Sires Stakes Finals								
3 Y/O Pace	1		1			0.00	0.00	12,000.00
3 Y/O Trot	1		1			0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Total	2	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	24,000.00
Total Race Program	58	56	186	158	321	102,919.80	848,099.96	1,001,330.00
Future Program:								
OSS 16								
1/2 1987 Yearling Nominations						28,580.00		
OSS 17								
1988 Yearling Nominations						86,360.00		
Program Grand Total	58	56	186	158	321	217,859.80	848,099.96	1,001,330.00

Total Track Fees	Total Government Grant	Purse		Total Purses	Breeders' Awards		Total Breeders' Awards	Total Program
		A	B		A	B		
143,250.00	609,098.06	701,532.00	259,578.00	961,110.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	1,022,023.00
113,250.00	609,105.04	656,095.00	255,922.00	912,017.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	972,930.00
115,425.00	609,114.03	621,603.00	230,358.00	851,961.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	912,874.00
98,250.00	609,113.06	593,712.00	232,303.00	826,015.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	886,928.00
470,175.00	2,436,430.19	2,572,942.00	978,161.00	3,551,103.00	170,544.00	73,108.00	243,652.00	3,794,755.00
121,950.00	609,104.99	664,990.00	253,332.00	918,322.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	979,235.00
104,250.00	609,113.03	638,930.00	255,810.00	894,740.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	955,653.00
72,225.00	609,118.04	561,461.00	222,789.00	784,250.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	845,163.00
67,700.00	609,128.99	552,942.00	219,294.00	772,236.00	42,636.00	18,277.00	60,913.00	833,149.00
366,125.00	2,436,465.05	2,418,323.00	951,225.00	3,369,548.00	170,544.00	73,108.00	243,652.00	3,613,200.00
836,300.00	4,872,895.24	4,991,265.00	1,929,386.00	6,920,651.00	341,088.00	146,216.00	487,304.00	7,407,955.00
52,500.00	209,994.50	430,160.00		430,160.00				430,160.00
24,000.00	209,994.50	319,919.00		319,919.00				319,919.00
76,500.00	419,989.00	750,079.00		750,079.00				750,079.00
	Labatt's contribution							
13,000.00	75,000.00	100,000.00		100,000.00				100,000.00
13,000.00	75,000.00	100,000.00		100,000.00				100,000.00
26,000.00	150,000.00	200,000.00		200,000.00				200,000.00
912,800.00	5,292,884.24	5,741,344.00	1,929,386.00	7,670,730.00	341,088.00	146,216.00	487,304.00	8,358,034.00
912,800.00	5,292,884.24	5,741,344.00	1,929,386.00	7,670,730.00	341,088.00	146,216.00	487,304.00	8,472,974.00

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Purses

Ontario Sires Stakes #15 & #16

	\$	%
Total Nomination Fees	\$54,619.80	0.79%
Total Sustaining Fees	740,699.96	10.70%
Starting Fees	903,440.00	13.05%
Track Portion	836,300.00	12.08%
Government Portion of Purses	4,385,591.24	63.37%
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Purses	\$6,920,651.00	100.00%
Breeders' Awards	487,304.00	
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Program	\$7,407,955.00	

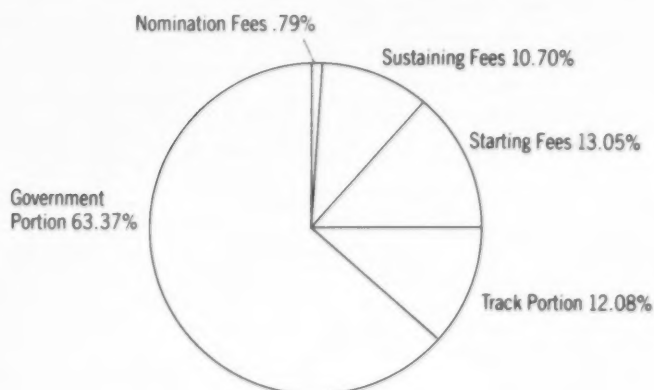
Ontario Sires Stakes Finals

Starting Fees	\$24,000.00	12.00%
Track Portion	26,000.00	13.00%
Labatt's Portion of Purse	150,000.00	75.00%
Total Purses For Finals	\$200,000.00	100.00%

Trillium Series

Total Nomination Fees	\$48,300.00	6.44%
Total Sustaining Fees	107,400.00	14.32%
Starting Fees	97,890.00	13.05%
Track Portion	76,500.00	10.20%
Government Portion of Purses	419,989.00	55.99%
Total Trillium Purses	\$750,079.00	100.00%

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes Purses



Ontario Sires Stakes Publicity and Promotion Committee

A budget of \$400,000 was allocated to the Standardbred Industry through the Canadian Standardbred Horse Society to promote the Ontario Sires Stakes program in 1988. The Ontario Sires Stakes Publicity and Promotion Committee made up of representatives from the Ontario Racing Commission, the Canadian Standardbred Horse Society, the Ontario Standardbred Improvement Association, the Ontario Harness Horsemen's Association and Harness Tracks of Ontario oversees the distribution of these funds.

In 1988 the Ontario Sires Stakes became the first government program to attract a corporate sponsor. A three-year agreement was struck between the Ontario Racing Commission, Labatt's Ontario Breweries and Harness Tracks of Ontario. The program is now known as the Labatt's Blue Ontario Sires Stakes for all publicity activity.

The year saw major innovations in promotions as a result of this association including the creation of two \$100,000 Championship Races which proved to be a gala finale for the 1988 season. A weekly television on Television Sports Network was produced by Labatt's. Called "Win, Place, Show", the program featured OSS races and covered the Championships with a 90-minute live special. The television show was very well received by industry and newcomers alike and proved to be educational as well as entertaining.

As part of the regular program, the advertising and public relations firm of Thomas & McCall were contracted by the Committee to provide media coverage for the 1988 Ontario Sires Stakes (OSS) season.

To achieve this, Thomas & McCall contracted Mr. Grant Wade to provide a focal point for local media on OSS race nights through the use of a mobile home equipped with cellular phone and fax machine. Mr. Wade travelled to 90% of the Sires Stakes races, acting as liaison with the media and developing news releases at the conclusion of each event which were faxed to local newspapers.

The Ontario Sires Stakes display booth was reworked to include the corporate sponsor and was used at the London Sportsman's Show, the International Plowing Match, the Royal Winter Fair and at various racetracks, doing much to boost awareness



Awards presentation in the winners' circle at Western Fair to Duve Wall, driver of the horse, Ivan, winner of the Labatt's Blue Ontario Sires Stakes Championship Pace. From left to right: Mr. Frank Drea, Chairman of the Ontario Racing Commission, Duve Wall, Dr. Louis Bernard, Chairman of the Quebec Racing Commission and Mr. Gordon Miller, MPP, Norfolk and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture and Food.

of harness racing in Ontario. A display and the van were also taken to Florida to participate in Harness Expo '88.

Again this year the Committee funded a series of Ontario Sires Stakes commercials which were produced by Bradford J A J Productions and aired on its TSN show, "World of Horse Racing". A colorful, exciting series of 30 second commercials were produced by Brad Diamond, highlighting many of the industry sectors supported by the Ontario Sires Stakes, including tracks, drivers and sales.

The Committee's display booth provided a focal point for Standardbred Racing and the Ontario Sires Stakes at the Toronto Sportsman's Show, the Royal Winter Fair, shopping malls, racetracks and the fair circuit. This display renders the industry an

invaluable service by giving the general public an opportunity to ask questions and gain insight.

In an effort to promote public awareness of the very effective partnership the Ontario government has with the horse racing industry, several government figures were invited to make trophy presentations at OSS events. Nineteen Members of Provincial Parliament were able to participate and found the visit to the raceways very enlightening.

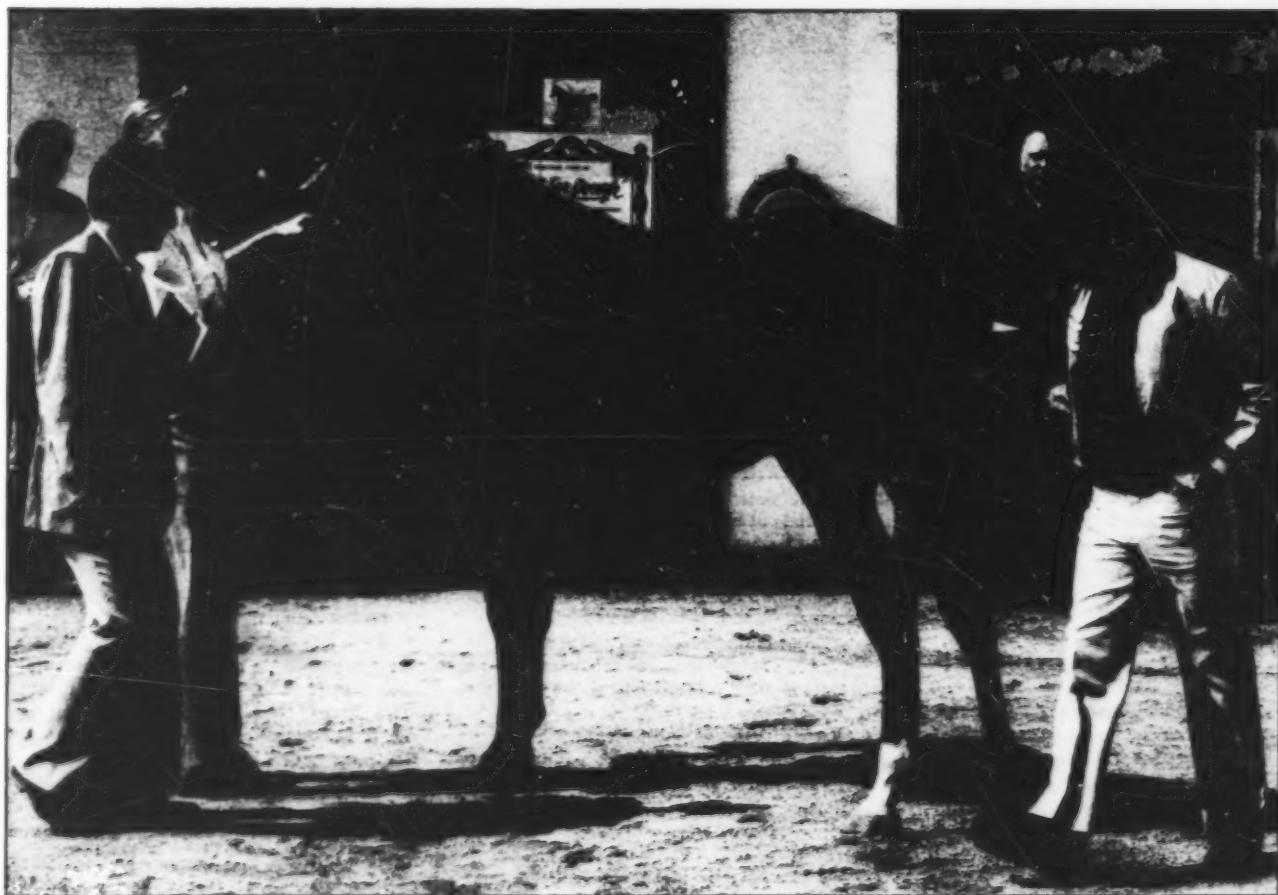
Ross Battin was the winner of this year's Lampman Cup. The trophy, named in honour of the late Jim Lampman, publicist with The Ontario Jockey Club, was awarded for the second year to the driver accumulating the most points in Ontario Sires Stakes races.

Yearling Sales Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Canadian Standardbred Horse Society

Year	Top 50 Sold		Change from Prior Year	Top 50 Ontario Sired		Change from Prior Year
	Sales \$	Average		Sales \$	Average	
1974	454,000	9,080		375,300	7,506	
1975	615,400	12,308	35.6%	533,800	10,676	42.2%
1976	696,500	13,930	13.2%	670,400	13,408	25.6%
1977	883,100	17,662	26.8%	789,400	15,788	17.8%
1978	957,900	19,158	8.5%	941,900	18,838	19.3%
1979	1,389,000	27,780	45.0%	1,353,500	27,070	43.7%
1980	1,365,500	27,310	-1.7%	1,154,500	23,090	-14.7%
1981	1,663,500	33,720	23.5%	1,358,500	27,170	17.7%
1982	1,713,500	34,250	1.6%	1,612,500	32,250	18.7%
1983	2,093,000	41,860	22.2%	1,761,500	35,230	9.2%
1984	1,665,000	33,300	-20.4%	1,489,500	29,790	-15.4%
1985	1,720,000	34,400	3.3%	1,659,000	33,180	11.4%
1986	2,002,000	40,040	16.4%	1,528,000	30,560	-7.9%
1987	2,164,000	43,280	8.1%	2,020,000	40,400	32.2%
1988	1,828,000	36,560	-15.5%	1,651,000	33,020	-18.3%



Ontario Sires Performance

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee	No. Sold	Total	Average
Acquisitor	n/a	1	\$1,000	\$1,000
Apache Circle	\$2,000	1	15,000	15,000
Archie	1,500	1	5,000	5,000
Armbro Agile	1,000	1	2,000	2,000
Armbro Omaha	6,500	61	812,500	13,320
Armbro Splurge	3,000	17	107,200	6,306
Balanced Image	3,000	5	60,500	12,100
Blizzard Almahurst	1,000	1	1,200	1,200
Brisco Hanover	3,500	2	24,000	12,000
Brisco Herbert	1,500	1	17,000	17,000
Chiola Hanover	n/a	1	33,000	33,000
Coal Harbor	3,000	8	117,500	14,688
Coal Reality	1,000	1	3,500	3,500
Dallas Almahurst	3,000	5	68,000	13,600
Devons Prince	1,500	1	2,700	2,700
Dream Maker	n/a	6	66,500	11,083
Dream Of Glory	7,500	17	561,500	33,029
Face To Face	2,000	4	29,500	7,375
Fast Clip	1,000	1	900	900
Freedom Fella	2,500	1	5,000	5,000
Fundamentalist	3,000	14	93,000	6,643
General Star	2,000	3	37,500	12,500
Helmsman	2,000	1	2,000	2,000
Jazz Cosmos	6,000	10	180,000	18,000
John R Rip	1,000	1	1,000	1,000
Jonquil Hanover	3,000	5	55,000	11,000
Keystone Howell	1,000	1	1,500	1,500
Krugarand	n/a	1	2,500	2,500
Legal Notice	5,000	15	261,000	17,400
Lime Time	1,000	1	11,000	11,000
River Rouge	2,500	6	45,500	7,583
Salute Hanover	2,500	1	3,000	3,000
Savvy Almahurst	2,000	1	18,000	18,000
Seedling Herbert	1,500	1	11,000	11,000
Senor Skipper	1,500	2	23,500	11,750
Smog	1,500	1	14,000	14,000
Willis Hanover	1,000	4	22,500	5,625
Willow Wiper	2,500	11	199,000	18,091
Worthy Bowl	4,000	11	189,000	17,182

Ontario Sires:

Average Stud Fee: \$2,431

Average Sale Price: \$13,732

Total Sales Statistics:

No. Sold at Sales: 283

Total Sales: \$4,032,500

Average Sale Price: \$14,002

1988 Standardbred Improvement Program — Unsupervised Tracks

As part of the Racetracks Tax Sharing Arrangement, two percent of the amount wagered at unsupervised tracks (fairs) is rebated by the province to the respective agricultural societies. These funds are used to enhance the level of purses distributed at the fairs where standardbred racing is conducted. The Ontario Racing Commission does not supervise the operation of fair racing.

Total 1987 Standardbred Wagering — Unsupervised tracks

	\$584,850
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$11,697
Daily allocation based on 48 days of racing	\$243.68

Purse Supplements

Track	1987 Race Dates	Daily Supplement	Total 1988 Purse Supplement
Ancaster	2	\$243.68	\$487.36
Arnprior	1	243.68	243.68
Beamsville	4	243.68	974.72
Binbrook	2	243.68	487.36
Brockville	2	243.68	487.36
Brooklin	1	243.68	243.68
Burford	1	243.68	243.68
Caledonia	2	243.68	487.36
Dorchester	2	243.68	487.36
Manitowaning	1	243.68	243.68
Markham	2	243.68	487.36
Melbourne	1	243.68	243.68
Norwood	1	243.68	243.68
Ohswéken	1	243.68	243.68
Orillia	1	243.68	243.68
Orono	1	243.68	243.68
Paris	1	243.68	243.68
Parkhill	1	243.68	243.68
Perth	1	243.68	243.68
Port Perry	1	243.68	243.68
Ridgetown	1	243.68	243.68
Rodney	1	243.68	243.68
Sheddon	1	243.68	243.68
Smicoe*	4	243.68	975.08
Smithville	1	243.68	243.68
South Mountain	3	243.68	731.04
Spencerville	1	243.68	243.68
Strathroy	1	243.68	243.68
Tillsonburg	2	243.68	487.36
Wallacetown	1	243.68	243.68
Welland	3	243.68	731.04
Total	48		\$11,697.00

*includes \$0.36 extra to balance to \$11,697



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